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orth Checking Out

Help the Gauchos

Two community work days are planned for Aug. 16 and 17 at El Cerrito High, and the participating students are seeking some assistance as they set out to clean restrooms, replace broken windows, paint over graffiti and paint classrooms as ECHS readies for the 1997-98 school year.

Donations are being sought for items such as new galvanized, 25-gallon trash cans, paint and brushes, nonbreakable windows and a dumpster to remove debris. Details: Janet McKnight, 525-3272.

CCCT summer season

The Contra Costa Civic Theater (Moeser at Pomona) opens its production of "The Wiz" tomorrow at 8 p.m. Performances run through Aug. 16. Details or reservations: 524-9132.

New Farmer's Market

The grand opening of Albany's first certified Farmer's Market will be Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the parking lot of the Salvation Army thrift store at Solano and Ramona avenues. The city-sponsored market will have prize drawings, kids cooking events, specialty organic farmers and presentations by local chefs.

Hooked on books

"The Wind in the Willows", Annie and the Old One", and "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing" are some of the titles that will be dramatized in "How the Couch Potato Got Hooked on Books" a free, school-age program on July 15 at 7 p.m. at the Albany Library.

Of course we knew

An alert reader called to point out that last week's item about applications for vendor and entertainer participation in the Solano Stroll incorrectly stated the event is in August. The region's biggest block party is in September, of course.

Financing college

Albany Adult School is holding a workshop on how to make the most of your own cash flow and assets and still qualify for financial aid, scholarships and low-cost loans. Many middle- and upper-income parents assume they are too well off to qualify for financial aid. Often, families that get actively involved in the financial aid process are most likely to increase the aid they receive. The workshop is Thursday, July 12 at 7 p.m. at Albany Middle School, 1000 Jackson.

El Sobrante Valley

Eleanor Loynd and Stu Flashman of the El Sobrante Valley Legal Defense Fund, discuss problems with previous development in the hillsides surrounding El Sobrante Valley, attempts avoid repeating these mistakes, and efforts to protect some areas from all development. The meeting is tonight, at 7:30 Details: Debbi Landshoff, 233-9733.

Caring women

Richmond Women Aglow, an interdenominational "network of caring women," meets July 12 at 9 a.m. at Liberty Four Square Church, 4197 Lakeside Dr. in Richmond. Guest speaker is Chris Heiderick, president of the Benicia/Martinez Aglow chapter. Details: Annette De La Rosa, 526-4342.

Women's shelter benefit

A Safe Place, Oakland's shelter for battered women and their children, is holding its annual Supersale '97 on Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the first Congregational Church, corner of Harrison and 27th streets. Find vintage and new clothing donated by Bay Area stores, furniture, exercise machines, toys, household items and small "treasures." Most of the items are new or next-to-new and prices are very reasonable. The sale will be in the church parking lot.

Celebration and fun

Greg Huunin

A performer on stilts executes a stunt as Albany "made a circus' Friday at Memorial Park .

It was really a circus at Memorial Park

By Greg Hugunin

ALBANY — In what turned out to be a brilliantly sunny holiday, residents young and old descended on Memorial Park in force last Friday for the city's own Fourth of July celebration.

Though a thick shroud of morning fog threatened to throw a blanket on the day's festivities, the weather turned benevolent as things got underway and the sun burned brightly through the most summerish of all summer holidays. It was a day marked by music and gray plumes of barbecue smoke, hamburgers and lollipops and the splash of the Lions Club dunk tank. More than anything, though, it was a day for the children, who laughed, danced and tumbled the hours away, thundering at times in tiny-legged herds across Memorial Park's baseball field.

Those descending on the park in search of nourishment were not disappointed, as they had staple holiday foods such as Albany YMCA Youth and Government hamburgers and Friends of Albany Seniors polish sausages to sate their appetites. Those desiring more aesthetic pleasures could meander over to the Albany Soroptomists Arts and Crafts area, watch martial arts exhibitions by the Japanese Cul-

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EC observes the nation's birthday — and its own

EL CERRITO—It was a typical summer day last Friday — cool and foggy until noon. It hardly deterred El Cerritans, who turned out en masse last Friday for the annual Rotary Club-sponsored July 4 Community Fair that observed not only the nation's founding, but the 80th anniversary of the city's founding as well.

Club members did a top-notch job of organizing and promoting the event.

Attendees got a full day's entertainment, with live music outside and tea dancing again a popular draw inside the community center. Observers agreed this year's festivities were the best attended in recent memory.

Children's activities were probably the most popular attraction, with games and crafts crowded all afternoon..

Proceeds are already earmarked to benefit Fairmont Elementary School and other community interests.

Diana Treadway

A ninja turtle is rendered at one of the many kids' activities.

Del Norte planning generates friction

Issue of final say divides council

By Emily Lundberg

EL CERRITO — City Council members clashed Monday over the Del Norte planning process. While council members Mark Friedman and Gina Brusatori favored granting the Del Norte planning process task force some decision-making power, council members Norman La Force and Norma Jellison favored keeping that power within the City Council/Redevelopment Agency.

Ultimately, Monday's clash brought into focus the bigger picture of a City Council increasingly polarized over the issue of building trust. While some council members seem to see the distrust between the community and the council as an aberration to work around, their colleagues see it as a reality and are actively trying to dissolve it through community participation. Meanwhile, council members' differing perspectives create a friction all their own.

For the last month, a task force has been engineering a community planning process that seeks to generate a development proposal for the Del

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Task force session turns emotional

By Emily Lundberg

EL CERRITO—Emotions ran high at the second to last Del Norte Task force meeting. While much discussion centered on the integration of planning processes, the role of consultants, and the efficacy of neighborhood surveys, the most telling interaction was not a discussion but a heated eruption. Yelling ensued when the contradictory desires of two Del Norte residents and a Del Norte merchant came head-to-head. Ultimately, the altercation reconfirmed the need for the planning process and sobered the task force to its purpose.

The task force looked at integrating two summer planning processes, the Del Norte Com-

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Frustration bubbles over on Peralta Ave.

By Greg Hugunin

The anger of one Peralta resident wasn't eased when a liquid seeped up last weekend from an improperly connected sewer line.

ALBANY — With all the grace of a bull in a china chop, a city-hired sewer construction crew last week paid a visit to Peralta Avenue, tearing out residents' gardens, cracking their driveways, improperly connecting a sewer line and ripping limbs out of trees with a backhoe.

Although the result of the work, which is part of the Albany's ongoing sewer rehabilitation program, came as little surprise to city employees, many living in the approximately block-long project area said the degree of demolition was unexpected. While the contractor is supposed to repair all damages, many, including those whose full-grown magnolia trees were permanently scarred by the crew, seemed to find little immediate comfort in such promises, and have emerged from the ordeal steaming mad.

"They just left demolition in their wake," said Peralta Avenue resident Jenny Harford, who lost her sidewalk garden and spent the weekend with a puddle of sewage in front of her home. "I've just never seen anything like this. It's absurd."

"I certainly didn't think they'd come in with all this equipment up and down our sidewalks," said one man who told a city employee that the crew damaged his front steps. "At first, the city fellow said no, (the damage) must have been there before."

"It's just brutal—that's the word that comes up," said Marilee Stark, who also lost her garden. "I would have moved those plants if I would have known they were going to wipe them out. It feels like a violation. I just came home and it was wiped out."

"These are supposed to be professionals?" said Ethel Rene, who lost an 18-year-old garden and branches from her equally old magnolia tree. "They're a bunch of hacks."

According to Community Development Director Bill Ekern, though, with the exception of the trees, the city-hired crew from Woods Construction that did the damage acted as any other contractor would. "They're not doing a bad job. They're a reputable contractor no better or worse than anyone else," Ekern said. "Part of it is that it's messy, it's noisy, it's inconvenient. There's really no good answer other than that's what it is."

The complaints stem from work to replace both residents' upper sewer laterals and a main line that runs under the sidewalk. Though residents may have spent years tending gardens in the planting strips in front of their homes, according to Ekern, those gardens are in fact in the public right-of-way, and residents were warned that they were doomed.

The gardens were not the only victims of the project, though. With them came water mains, which Ekern said were also doomed in that it is impossible to dig through the sidewalk without taking them out. Also, because encroaching trees rendered the sidewalk too narrow in places for machinery, workers decided to remedy the problem themselves and made room by tearing whole limbs off with

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Letters to the Editor

Let's keep things civil

Editor:
As an El Cerrito resident of almost 20 years, I am very concerned about the incessant sniping against the members of our City Council, and the current campaign to recall Mr. Norman La Force. I was one of the founding members of the El Cerrito Human Relations Commission, and we always felt our residents were enlightened, rational, and civil.

I can remember the very grave fiscal problems we faced in 1991 when we had no reserve. This was at a time when Mr. La Force first served on the City Council. Now despite many problems of raids on city governments by the state, El Cerrito has a reserve of $1 million. That is an accomplishment.

We can be proud of the fact that our city has been able to provide city services at a high level, and that our recreation and parks program has been good, despite lack of resources. As a senior, I appreciate the fact that we have a fine program for senior citizens, including affordable housing.

I cannot understand the actions of the El Cerrito Citizens Alliance in their efforts to recall Mr. Norman La Force. He was elected 18 months ago with the highest number of votes of all the candidates. He is an environmentalist and has the support of the Sierra Club. He is a hard working member of the City Council, and has helped on many local neighborhood issues.

We should also note that a Special Election will cost our city at least $20,000 which could be used to bolster city services.

I think that all citizens should participate in the discussion of what to do with the El Cerrito Plaza. It is very important for the future well being of our citizens. But let's keep it civil, and seek for a positive resolution of this problem. And stop the recall movement against Mr. La Force.

Chizu Iiyama
El Cerrito

Let us not forget

Editor:
Listening to a small but vocal group as they lecture us at City Council meetings and reading their recycled arguments again and again in local editorial pages, one could get the mistaken idea that our El Cerrito City Council does nothing but make mistakes and bad decisions. While I don't agree with all Council decisions, I do believe that, over all, this Council does a very good job.

Let us not forget that this Council created the successful storm drain program that repaired our worst storm drains and gave us beautiful restored creeks in Poinsett Park and the Ohlone Greenway. They preserved our Senior, Recreation, and Child Care Services working with our superb city staff and many dedicated volunteers. Also, they have finally created a realistic opportunity for the Plaza to be restored as the economic center of our city.

Most important to me, is the fact that they have greatly expanded the opportunities for community involvement in all the City and Redevelopment Agency programs. One thing all of us taking part in these programs must remember, however, is that while the Council majority may sometimes disagree with us, this does not mean that they are not listening to us.

Al Miller
El Cerrito

La Force is doing the job

Editor:
I would like to express my support for Norman La Force and disapproval of the attempt to recall him from the El Cerrito city council. The reason for my support is simple. LaForce has demonstrated he has an all encompassing, farsighted vision of El Cerrito. Instead of trying to 'take us back' to the"60s and '70s as some would, he is looking forward. His support for social programs balanced adroitly with business interests has been invaluable in moving El Cerrito toward a thriving, viable community of the 21 st century. His fiscal astuteness has helped create a $1 million reserve for our little city. LaForce is 'doing the job' he was elected to do, and he is doing it effectively. I disapprove of the recall for equally obvious reasons. Allegations against him are unfounded, groundless, transparent, and without merit. There simply is no basis for a recall.

Sandra Dellafiora
El Cerrito

We could use more leaders like Norman

Edltor:
The effort to recall Councilmember Norman La Force is ridiculous, and I hope it never gets off the ground.

Having voted in every general election in El Cerrito during the 46 years that I have lived here, I have seen many council members come and go, and Norman La Force certainly rates among the top leaders who have served our communlty. He doesn't hesitate to express his views on an issue, but at the same time remains respectful of opposing views. That statesman-like quality was just recently well demonstrated: He called on the developer of the proposed Del Norte Theater Mixed Use Development to return to the city with an alternative to his megatheater proposal. That diplomatic action broke the ice in the confrontation that had developed, and got the subject back on track in a positive, constructive manner. La Force should be thanked, not maligned.

Hopefully, the voters of El Cerrito are intelligent enough to see through the innuendoes and the statements taken out of context that are being disseminated by a few disgruntled malcontents who seem to take sadistic pleasure in attacking the city council in general, and Norman La Force in particular.

When La Force took office in 1991 the city had no reserve. During the ensuing five years the reserve was built up to $1 million — a major achievement considering the state raided the city's tax base during that same period to fill its own coffers. Now, this ad hoc group of malcontents apparently feels that it's OK to spend $20,000 of that reserve in attempting to recall La Force. (Killing the goose that laid the golden egg comes to mind.)

La Force's actions on the council have always been for the ultimate good of El Cerrito. He should be cloned, not recalled!

Russ Wilson
El Cerrito

Costly expense for unjustified recall

Editor:
This recall fight is being waged as vilification, rather than on the issues.

La Force has demonstrated his enlightened and selfless devotion to our community's well-being for years. In addition to serving as General Counsel for the Sierra Club S. F. Bay Chapter PRO BONO from 1985 to the present, he has worked extensibly and intensively to preserve our environment, restore urban waterways, protect wildlife and woodlands and to create the Eastshore State Park from the Oakland Bay Bridge to the Port of Richmond. I am so grateful. Those of us who walk the Bay Trail frequently, call out to each other, "Aren't we lucky! Can you believe this!" He personally gathered 1,000 signatures to place the California Parks and Wildlife Bond Act on the ballot for 1988, providing the only funding for years for the State's parks. La Force served as President of the El Cerrito Democratic Club from '84 - '88, demonstrating concern for and commitment to our community.

In 1991 La Force was elected to the El Cerrito City Council, at which time the city had NO reserve, having spent it down to pay for operating expenses. Now, five years later, we have built up a reserve of $1 million, despite the fact that the State of California raided El Cerrito and every other city and county of property and sales tax revenue to balance its budget. El Cerrito's services and recreation are not as glorious as they were 35 years ago, but that is because of Proposition 13, which needs to be refined.

Milton Bilak of Southern California, owner of most of the Plaza, functions like many absentee landlords whose motivation is profit and greed. That he does not love the residents and merchants of El

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, EL CERRITO!

The 80th anniversary of El Cerrito's founding is this year. If you have special memories or photos of the city's earlier days, The Journal invites you to share them with our readers. Written submissions (250 words or less) can be mailed to PO Box 1624, El Cerrito, 94530; faxed to 339-4066; or e-mailed to hillsnews@aol.com. If you have interesting photos, call our voice mail at 236-9243 so we can arrange their safe return. We will be running submissions periodically through the city's anniversary year.

Response

Readers react to former council member Jean Siri's letter that appeared in our July 3 issue criticizing the behavior of some people who appear before the City Council:

Newcomers are people, too

Editor:
Jean Siri's reference to "newcomers" (letters, July 3) was unfortunate. Reactions to her letter will now be diverted to the question of whether "newcomers" (whatever that's supposed to mean) are equal citizens of El Cerrito, rather than to the intended discussion of the way in which oafish behavior has become an ongoing feature of public meetings.

Leverett Smith

Hats off to Jean Siri

Editor:
As El Cerritans who love our model city and its model government, we must take our hats off to Jean Siri.

Her letter disclosed the hidden agenda of the host of mean-spirited tax dodgers who are out to cripple or destroy a model city and its model city government. Jean could name names, because she wrote from first-hand bitter experience. So she did with her usual courage.

We in El Cerrito especially, but also in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, yes, and throughout the state owe Jean an immense debt of gratitude.

Dan Freudenthal

No need for name calling

Editor:
Mrs. Siri's letter of July 3, in which she attacks, among others, me, my husband and one of our daughters, surprised and saddened me. I have known the Siris for over 30 years, they even visited my parents in Canada. I respected the Siris and valued their leadership in conservation matters. In 1993 we moved to El Cerrito, where we have always felt at home: El Cerrito Co-Op, whole family clothed at the Plaza, recycling center trips, a daughter married at the Recreation Center, etc. We love our neighbors, our local church and town. We regularly clear out trash, remove graffiti at Canyon Park and participate in El Cerrito Earth Days and local government.

When the Mega Theater proposal was made public in early 1995, we, our neighbors and citizens throughout town, were horrified. How could our council even consider such an environmental nightmare, devastating the neighborhood with two million extra cars per year? Therefore, we went to visit the Siris, who live high in the hills, east of the Arlington, far removed form the San Pablo corridor. We asked their opinion on how this proposal came about and how we four, as conservationists, could stop it. Mrs. Siri told us, in effect, "You are going to lose this one." We left, still determined to fight the monstrous proposal.

Mrs. Siri's letter suggest that citizens should only vote the council's wishes, and need not be informed. Not her comment "Thank heavens for removal of televised council meetings!" It is clear that an entrenched political group has pushed redevelopment for over 20 years. Its backers seem furious that people recognize its abysmal financial failure. The cost could be $44 million or more. Politicians should not be faulted for inheriting a failing program. But responsible leaders reevaluate programs and stop throwing the tax payers' good money after bad.

What was not stated by Mrs. Siri about those she criticizes, was that some initially had personal issues with city government, but this group stayed involved to save the Canyon Park club house, defeat Proposition H and hold redevelopment to task on the Plaza and Del Norte projects. As to calling Grant and Ann "Ken and Barbie," this jibe ignores their well researched economic analyses of redevelopment's finances and the general economic situation of El Cerrito.

Mrs. Siri should welcome public debate on this costly issue. Redevelopment is not a religion or a "sacred cow." It is business. If it's not working, let's study and fix it, or study and scrap it. There is no need for anger or name calling among El Cerritans with differing views. In democracy we respect the rights of those with whom we disagree. Let's resume TV coverage of the council meetings. We know it takes the participation of all for democracy to work, here and worldwide.

Rosemary Loubal
El Cerrito

Viewpoint

Journal promoting Drug War hysteria?

:While I respect your co for preventing adolescent dr abuse, I was dismayed to se the June 19 issue of *The Jou* large and misguided ad by Partnership for a Drug Free California. I strongly objec hypocrisy embodied by thi other ads by the PDFC and parent company, the PDFA national office receives substantial funding from the industry and works with ad agencies that push alcohol tobacco. The state office ha to prosecutors and the drug industry. Together, they add an untaxed public relations that sells the Drug War.

The entire story could w a hoax (the PDFA has repea been caught producing false advertisements). Nonethele ad relates the anecdote of a dysfunctional little family, Paynes, who blame all their problems on a plant. The he of the ad implies that they family home, which the tex reveals to be untrue. As told poly-drug abusing teen, who admits she has a problem always telling the truth, and rightfully concerned father, then claims that "marijuana other drugs". However, cred evidence shows that tobacco almost always is the 'gatew drug', followed by alcohol. Notice how the ad carefully avoids mentioning those dangerous drugs. The daugh smoked marijuana every da hid her problems from her until, "One day I said, I can this to them anymore." In o words, she came to a matur responsible decision while the influence of marijuana, stopped smoking the herb professional help.

The ad contains a box indicating that almost twice many 10th graders have trie marijuana as have eighth gra These children are the D.A generation. They grew up o propaganda. What does this us? That Drug War hysteria families and is leading our people to experiment with d

Let's be rational. No one minors to use marijuana, but spreading Drug War bigotry failed as a political policy. Families are torn apart by misunderstanding and mistr the name of zero tolerance. Family homes are not seized drugs but by drug police. Pa are locked away for decades having a private marijuana g in their home. Prosecutors a of control, invading our priv and violating fundamental h rights, such as the rights to medicine and religious free The prisons are devouring o state budget while schools a starving. And drug use is o increase, especially within th prison walls.

There is a way to reduce use by young people, howe means being honest about th relative risks of different substances, and teaching pe responsibility. Don't dodge and tell others to take responsibility; you can't lie your children and expect th be honest to you. Adults sho talk honestly to children wit strong, clear and consistent message that marijuana is n kids. Like alcohol and tobac cannabis is something that doctors, patients and adults use responsibly, but children should avoid. Their adolesc body chemistry is changing naturally. Tell them not to s marijuana because you care them, love them, and don't w to worry about them. This h message, coupled with after-school activities and adult supervision, can form the bas trust that will reduce their o interest in drugs.

The President's Blue Rib Commission on Marihuana a Drugs came out in 1972 agai criminal penalties for marij use. The California Attorney General's Research Advisory Panel recommended in 1989 personal adult use and cultiva of marijuana be legalized. A California voters were told b

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EC, BART agree on Plaza parking garage

y Emily Lundberg

EL CERRITO — The city, its development Agency, the Con- Costa Transportation Authority d BART are currently signing an nended and Restated Memoran- m of understanding (ARMOU) r a Measure C Parking Garage to located at the El Cerrito Plaza. nder the previous MOU, the ga- ge was to be built on the BART rking lot at the El Cerrito Plaza tion. While the ARMOU does t approve the project, it officially ens the negotiations.

In November 1988, Contra Costa unty voters approved Measure establishing a half-cent sales tax fund regional transportation im- ovements. Measure C identified e of its improvements projects as RT parking in El Cerrito. A City- RT-CCTA-funded "locational alysis" identified a need for park- g at both the Plaza and Del Norte RT stations. After Measure C s passed, BART built a parking ucture at Del Norte Station.

In July 1994, BART and the city veloped the "Plaza transit vil- e" proposal, consisting of hous- g, retail, and parking (including Measure C parking structure) to be located on BART's parking lot directly west of the station, between Fairmount and Central avenues. A year later, as a part of the"Plaza transit village," an MOU was entered into to develop the Measure C garage on the BART parking lot.

However, significant neighborhood concern stymied the process, and sent the Agency and BART back to the drawing board, to the South Gateway Development Area (SGDA) community planning process. The SGDA concept plan relocated the Measure C garage from BART property to the northeast corner of the Plaza Shopping Center property.

At the July 7 City Council meeting, where the ARMOU was approved, Plaza Project Manager Bob Lyons responded to concerns previously voiced by residents that the garage's Plaza location was being forced on the community without their choice. Lyons said that at the SGDA workshops, where the community organized game pieces on a model of the site in order to test scenarios, five out of the seven scenarios had the garage located at the Plaza.

Lyons also responded to a resident's request made during a past BART meeting of whether it is possible for the Measure C funds to be diverted to some other parking alternative. Lyons said he asked CCTA, and which responded that theoretically it is possible, but that changing the expenditure plan of the ballot measure may call for a revote. If El Cerrito were to stall, the money might go to unfunded Measure C projects outside the city.

The garage was relocated in order to allow BART to develop its parking lot "at a density and scale more consistent with neighborhood and community desires," to encourage BART patrons to shop in the Plaza, and to encourage Plaza shoppers to use BART, and to maximize land-use with Plaza patron/BART patron shared parking.

The ARMOU lays out some basic agreement principles. While $5.4 million of Measure C funds will go to the BART patron portion of the garage (including such items as land acquisition, design, engineering and construction), the ARMOU states that "private facilities, including retail and related parking ... shall be financed, developed and operated by the Agency or Developer." The ARMOU, however, does not stipulate how much of the garage will be private or what qualifies as private when retail-related patrons will be allowed to share the BART parking during non-commute hours.

The city Redevelopment Agency may develop the garage, or may enter into a development agreement with BART or a developer, according to the ARMOU. While BART will own the portion of the garage built with Measure C funds, the Agency or the

The garage was relocated to allow BART to develop its existing parking lot 'at a density and scale more consistent with neighborhood and community desires.'

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San Pablo Ave. 'vision' taking shape

y Greg Hugunin

ALBANY — Taking its first, mal look at the San Pablo Av- ue Vision Plan, the City Council med for the most part to like at it saw at an informational, edback-oriented presentation onday.

The plan, drafted by a city-hired nsultant after a trio of commu- y meetings, seeks both to give re definition to Albany's main ffic thoroughfare and to help spur onomic development. Though ch of the street's future will de- nd on the desire of the private tor to enact proposed improve- nts, according to Assistant City ministrator Ann Ritzma, the plan, its name suggests, could provide overall "vision" through which rious individuals and entities ve toward a better San Pablo.

"It really is just a framework ich gives people something to rk towards," Ritzma said.

As many passing through the sioning process have noted, bany's main traffic thoroughfare, present, offers little in the way of ail shopping and even less in ms of pedestrian-friendliness. e plan suggests numerous anges, ranging from two-to-four ry buildings to better street trees a tree-bearing median, which ght encourage people to get out their cars and spend a few dollars San Pablo.

Consultant David Early kicked off the presentation by saying that, compared to Solano Avenue, San Pablo lacks the character one normally associates with a commercial area. "Our goals for this project have been to really recognize San Pablo Avenue as an important spine for the city," he said.

After three community workshops to help guide the plan, City staff was now bringing the matter before the council to determine if the effort is headed in the right direction, Early said.

The ball was then passed to economist Janet Smith-Heimer, who said sales tax revenues in Albany declined a hefty 37 percent between 1984 and 1994. Although small lot sizes and lack of parking do set up barriers to the type of new development that would in turn generate more tax revenue, areas such as the "100 percent corner" at Solano and San Pablo avenues are "an opportunity waiting to happen," Smith-Heimer said.

Among businesses that could some day grace the street are book stores, music stores and home furnishing stores, Smith-Heimer said. She then passed the ball back to Early, who said the street lacks the "definition" one normally associates with a commercial thoroughfare, in particular a lack of landmarks and "transparency" to buildings.

All is not lost, however, as structures such as City Hall and the Royal Cafe have landmark potential that would make them "jewels" along the now somewhat-barren stretch of road. The council then saw a slide show bearing images of what San Pablo could someday become, viewing everything from the lush sycamores of San Pablo Avenue in Berkeley to El Cerrito's Del Norte Place to one building that, it turned out, was already in Albany.

At present, there are numerous impediments to development on San Pablo, many of which center around zoning and parking requirements and the city's General Plan. After those in attendance viewed slides showing buildings and landmarks from around the state, City Administrator Daren Fields then asked the council for feedback on, among other things, the size of proposed buildings; mixed-use housing which might provide homes for seniors, and the council's desire to enact capital improvements such as street trees and a somewhat-controversial proposal for a median.

Council scrutiny

Mayor Bob Good kicked off the feedback session, saying, in essence, that he liked what he saw. "It looks correct to me," Good said. "I have no corrections to offer."

Councilmember Bruce Mast thanked Early for his "diagnosis" of what might be done to improve San Pablo, then pointed out that streetscape improvements are the only portion of the plan the city has direct control over. According to Community Development Director Bill Ekern, though, changes to the city's zoning ordinances and parking requirements would also constitute a "big, big piece" of what is necessary to make the vision bear fruit.

Mast then tackled the proposed median along San Pablo, wondering if, as some have suggested, subsequent difficulties in making a left turn would drive shoppers away.

"That does not in and of itself impede business," Early said, pointing to stretches of San Pablo in Berkeley that also have medians. After Mast said four-story buildings might be a bit high for his taste, Councilmember Jon Ely asked what the catalyst was for development in areas such as Oakland's Rockridge and Fourth Street in Berkeley.

While the currently-bustling Fourth Street emerged after decades of work from a single developer, the Rockridge area bloomed as a result of a BART station being built, Early said.

Ely said he favors private dollars fueling possible improvements, while Councilmember Peggy Thomsen weighed in as in favor of smaller, two-story buildings along San Pablo.

Among audience members, Planning and Zoning Commission Chair

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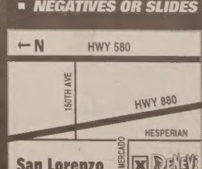

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Martin Snapp

The Snows Of Yesteryear: When I was a boy I used to make fun of my parents for reading the obituary page. I remember the day the silent film star Mae Marsh died, and how it made my mother misty-eyed.

Of course, back then didn't know Mae Marsh from the man in the moon. So I said, "Who?" And that made my mother feel even worse.

What I was too young to realize was that Mae Marsh was one of the icons who defined my mother's youth. She grew up watching Mae Marsh and Blanche Sweet and Lillian Gish; and while she knew the day would come when they'd be gone, it never occurred to her that they'd also be forgotten.

Well, now I'm the same age as she was when Mae Marsh died, and now I know just how she felt. When Robert Mitchum and Jimmy Stewart died last week, I felt like the last two icons of my youth had passed.

They were the sweet and sour of the silver screen. Stewart, with his guy-next-door folksiness, was the perfect choice to play All-American boys like George Bailey and Jefferson Smith. He was the guy girls could take home to meet their parents.

Nobody would ever say that about Mitchum, with his sleepy eyes and his monumental gut that qualified as an honorary chest. He was the guy girls would sneak out to meet late at night, after the Jimmy Stewart-type brought them home from their regular date.

Sure, there are younger stars to carry on their tradition — Harrison Ford comes to mind — but it's the end of an era. My era.

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And a personal note on the passing of Charles Kuralt: Speaking as one who has made a career out of writing good news, I have to thank Kuralt for making it possible. Before he came along, the only news that was fit to print was, as Gibbon put it, "the crimes, follies and vices of mankind." There's a simple reason why I like to focus on good news: It makes me feel good. When I started out as a columnist at the Trib back in 1985, I was actually hired to be a gossip columnist.

Trouble was, every time I wrote a hit piece or a who's-sleeping-with-whom story, I felt slimy. So I stopped. But I would never have been able to if Kuralt hadn't made positive news respectable.

If you ask people what they think of as my most typical story, they'll probably say, "Mr. Charles, the Waving Man." Everyone thinks I discovered the Waving Man. Even the Waving Man thinks I discovered him.

Want to know how I "discovered" him? One day, in 1967, I turned on "The CBS Evening News With Walter Cronkite," featuring an "On The Road" report from Charles Kuralt.

You guessed it. It was about a cool old dude who stands on a street corner in Berkeley and waves to the morning commute traffic.

Goodbye, Charles. And thanks for the story.

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Better Red Than Dead: Remember the Sherlock Holmes story, "The Red-Headed League"? In the story, the League was a phony; but in real life, it's for real, and it's meeting this Saturday in Berkeley. (I can just hear you saying, "Reds in Berkeley? So what else is new?") If you're a redhead — whether by nature or by choice — you're invited to the first Redheads' Picnic, starting at noon at Codornices Park. Among the activities: carrot-rolling races, a spot-the-real-redheads contest and, of course, several rounds of Red Rover.

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I don't usually give such extensive plugs, but BMUG deserves it. It's a non-profit organization that exists for only one reason: to make it easier for ordinary people like you and me to make these machines work for us, rather than the other way around.

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Garage

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developer will own the rest. And while BART will police, operate and maintain its portion of the garage, the city or developer will police, operate and maintain its portion.

BART has authorized its General Manager to execute the ARMOU; the Contra Costa Transportation Authority has approved the principles of the ARMOU and will consider the memorandum itself on July 16; and, at its July 7 meeting, the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute the ARMOU.

At that meeting, William Nelson, representing "Save Del Norte Residents' Association" said approval of this memorandum prior to approval of the Plaza D-EIR would constitute "prejudgment and bias." He said Measure C called for BART parking at the Del Norte station, completion of current parking projects, and additional parking at BART stations. He said not only was the Plaza not mentioned, the parking "structure" was not mentioned.

Resident Anne Delehunt also said that while she wanted the Measure C money to stay in El Cerrito, she was concerned that a measure passed to pay for parking at one station is being transferred elsewhere. Mayor Jellison said Measure C calls for additional parking, and it is true that it does not state "structured" parking. "But it is not brain surgery to see that we could never provide parking, absent eliminating commercial establishments up and down Pablo, without having it be structured parking," she said. Jellison said CCTA, legal counsel, the authors of Measure C and El Cerrito City Council studied the language of Measure C and determined it allowed for flexibility of location.

"Measure C is both for Contra Costa County and the region in general. We felt we would be serving the greater region by putting a parking structure at the Plaza," Jellison.

Vision

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Michael Feiner called for of an aggressive approach to San Pablo's future. "Status quo is easy, change is difficult," Feiner said. "Creating a vision is a function of leadership. It's about being pro-active rather than reactive."

Albany resident Ray Anderson spoke in favor of an electric tram system, but seemed less-than-inclined to support a median.

According to Ritzma, proposed capital projects, such as the median, would take place after a separate council action if indeed they were enacted. A final draft of the vision plan should come before the council in the next month or so.

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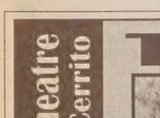

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District's investment grade rating, part II

West County School Watch
By Glen Price

have received a lot of calls and about Moody's and Standard Poor's decision last month to ade its investment ratings for West Contra Costa Unified ol District (WCCUSD). So, at sk of repeating some of the mation presented last week, I d like to explore that topic a further in this week's column. an important one because the ct's investment rating is mentally linked to its ability k bond financing and a voter ved bond measure is likely nly way we will respond to of our most urgent school ties issues.

kruptcy and its legacy

t school districts throughout rnia for the last several years ticular have been passing measures for new facility ruction and renovation of ng sites. Why have we waited g especially in light of elling needs?

e answer lies in the painful ery we have been making the district's financial se in the late 1980s and early Coming out of its 1991 uptcy, the district had two debts (and lots of smaller

e first was to investors in the t's "Certificates of Participa- COPs) and the second to the of California, which bailed e district and paid for district ions at the end of the 1991 year. The COPs were first in 1988 to fund operations e district defaulted on these at the time it filed bankruptcy. Under court order in 1994, the district issued a new round of COPs to repay investors in the initial offerings.

As a result, the district is now repaying both the state and its 1994 Certificates of Participation. As currently structured, the district will be repaying its state loans through the year 2007, with oversight from a state-appointed trustee. The loan is structured with balloon payments and interim smaller payments.

The state loan is paid with an annual transfer of $1.5 million out of the district's General Fund and from the proceeds from the sale of "surplus properties." So far, the district has successfully sold eight properties for $7.4 million. Ten other properties remain on the district's surplus property list, however at least two of these have now been identified by the district as necessary for it to continue class size reduction efforts.

Legislative help

As discussed in this column several times over the past few months (see for example: *West County School Watch* for June 6, *http://www.igc.apc.org/westcounty/june0697.htm* (Keyword to: *http://www.igc.apc.org/westcounty/june0697.htm)*) a new bill, AB 437 sponsored by Assemblymember Dion Aroner, would restructure the terms of the state loan taking the two properties needed for class size reduction off the list of surplus properties and reamortizing the remaining state loan over 30 years.

The bill has already passed of the Assembly floor and seems likely to be affirmed by the state Senate. Its fate once it reaches the Governor's desk is less than certain but, if it is signed into law, it will eliminate the balloon payments and reduce the amount of annual payments.

June 1997 investor rating service action

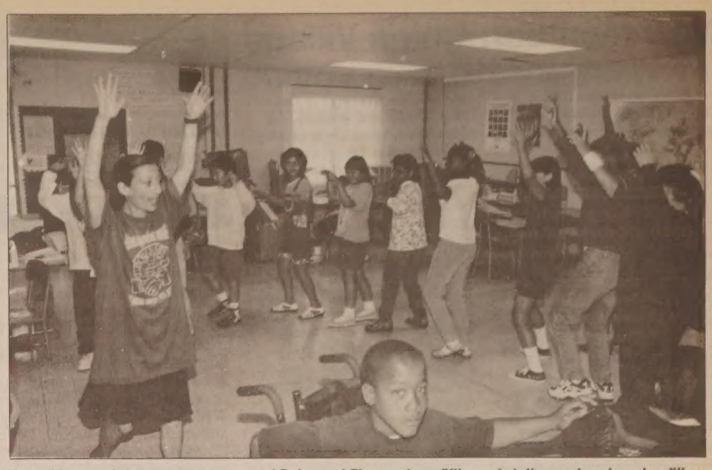
In action last month, Moody's upgraded the district's 1994 Certificates of Participation to Baa^3, an investment grade rating. At the same time, the WCCUSD received top ratings from Moody's Investors Service and Standard and Poor's for its tax and revenue anticipation notes (TRANs). TRANs are financial instruments that allow public agencies to borrow against cash flow shortfalls which most school districts experience before the receipt of property tax revenues in December.

Moody's Investors Service rated the district's TRANs MIG-1 and Standard & Poor's gave a SP-1, the top rating categories for each agency for short-term notes. The initial practical effect is to lower the interest the district must pay investors in these instruments.

Neither the Moody's nor the Standard & Poor's ratings were clean bills of health. Standard & Poor's cited the formidable task of ongoing state loan repayment and said, "... long term challenges remain, as the district has to manage periodic balloon payments under the terms of its state loan, as well as class size reduction efforts."

However, with the recent moves by both investor services, all of the district's ratings are now investment grade. The immediate practical and political outcome, and the reason the investment ratings were being watched so closely, is that WCCUSD planning for a bond measure has been held up pending an increase in the district's debt rating. Interest is especially high in raising funds through a bond measure to proceed with building a middle school in Richmond and taking care of urgently needed repairs and capital projects at many district schools.

With the recent moves by the financial services providing the economic foundation for school bonds, we need to begin now the kind of planning process which will incorporate broad public participation in an open planning process to frame an eventual bond measure for the ballot. The time for speedy action on this issue is now.



Liliane Younes introduces a group of Fairmont Elementary fifth and sixth graders to a traditional dance of the Anlo/Ewe people of Ghana, West Africa. As part of the summer school program at Fairmont, Younes teaches a class called: "Introducing the continent of Africa through video, stories, song and dance." Younes, a human relations specialist for the district, acquaints children with Africa's geography, economy and culture. The class will explore the continents's enormous diversity of languages, cultures and folklores.

Hancock to speak in El Cerrito

Former Berkeley mayor and U.S. Department of Education regional representative Loni Hancock will speak in El Cerrito on the "Clinton Administration's Educational Programs and Their Local Impact" at the Tuesday, July 22 meeting of the El Cerrito Democratic Club. Diana Easton (WCCUSD Board Member), Pam Mirabella (County Board of Education Member representing West County), and David MacDiarmid (Contra Costa Community College Board Member) will be part of a panel reacting to Clinton policies from a local perspective.

The meeting begins at 7:30 P.M. at the Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury Ave., across the street from El Cerrito High School.

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Always looking for unusual and new food recipes for his China Village Restaurant, 1335 Solano Ave., owner John Yao and his chef, Jack Ho, participate in cooking and tasting cruises sharing and learning with famous chefs from restaurants in Asia. The restaurant's menu features close to 140 items, each carefully prepared with combinations of ingredients that excite the palate. Some of the chef's specials include orange peel beef (crispy beef), prime rib steak with black pepper, Chinese steak on sizzling clay pot, Hunan and Changsha chicken and pine nut chicken in garlic sauce. Recently added to the menu is rolling lettuce chicken or seafood, garlic beef and steamed prawns with black bean sauce. One may have trouble selecting from the many items listed of appetizers, soups, house and chef's specials, desserts and beverages. Very little MSG is used and none if preferred. All vegetables are brought in fresh daily. Traditional items such as chow mein, house made noodles, mu shu pork and fried rice are among endless list of food items found on the menu. Yao will prepare any food items for special diets. he has a full bar and an endless list of premium wine.

Yao opened this restaurant (he has another in San Mateo) in 1974, remodeled it in 1980 and again last year. Upon entering the restaurant guests are greeted by Yao and a foyer of lush green potted plants. On to the main dining room that seats 70 people, guests are treated to the full window area overlooking Solano Avenue that gives an outdoor feeling.

The walls are painted bone white and are decorated with specially designed floral arrangements. Entering the second dining room that also seats 70, with a 40-foot long dragon wall along one side. Next to this dining room there is a banquet room that seats 50. These two rooms are often combined to seat large parties. Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, the restaurant is open from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Wednesday, to 10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, to 10:30 p.m. Reservations are not needed but recommended for large parties. Phone 525-2285 for take out or reservations.

Albany Chamber of Commerce

By Fern Luoma

Bears & Baubles

According to Georgia Carlson, owner of Bears & Baubles, during the month of July all FIGI lamps and the new mini-lamps that can be used as a niitlite are 15 percent off until the first of August. There is a bunny, a kitty and a bear motif that are new items. Bears & Baubles features hundreds of gift items including Carlson's famous handmade teddy bears and jewelry. The store can be easily located at 1603 Solano Ave. by looking for the giant bear out front.

Albany Post 292's Baked Chicken Dinner

Albany American Legion Post's members Mario Ponchione and Sam Turner, along with the usual help will be cooking up a gourmet's delight July 18 for dining pleasure, preparing a salad, baked chicken, potatoes, vegetables, bread and butter and a great dessert. Price is $7 per person with proceeds going to support Cub Scouts, Boys' State and Veterans' hospitals. Reservations must be made by July 16 by calling Turner at 526-0837, Ian Ball, 525-5230 or Keith Truax, 526-4487. Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m.

New EC class offerings for summer

The following are new summer classes at the City of El Cerrito Community Center:

Polynesian Dance for Adults: Learn the ancient and modern ethnic dances of Hawaii, French Polynesia, Samoa and Aoteroa coupled with their cultural background. Thursdays, through July 17; 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Tap for Men and Woman: Great class for fun and exercise. Learn creative combinations a routines. All you need is tap shoes, comfortable clothes and the desire to try. Wednesdays, through Aug. 6; beginning 6 - 7 p.m, intermediate 7 - 8 p.m.; $56.

Puppy Training: This class covers basic dog training commands and provides information on socialization, grooming, vaccinations, tattooing, nutrition and behavior problems. July 8 - Aug. 6, 6 - 7 p.m.

Beginning Dog Training: This class covers basic dog training commands including heel, sit, stay, down and recall. Behavior problems including barking, chewing, digging, jumping also will be covered. July 8 - Aug. 5, 7 - 8 p.m.

Yoga for Swimmers: Swimming is a wonderful exercise but still can tighten certain muscles which need to be stretched regularly. Learn how to improve our range of motion in the upper back, shoulder girdle and hips. We will work to increase awareness of your alignment, since unevenness in repetitious movement can cause pain or injury. Sunday, July 20, 2:30 - 4:45 p.m; Melinda Perlee D. C., instructor; $15.

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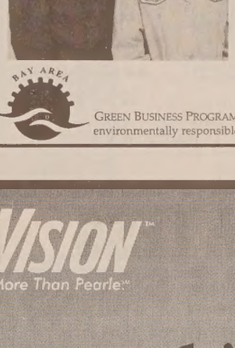

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LBANY — At about 5 p.m. une 29 a resident on the 500 k of Pierce Street reported while in the elevator in her ling a man she described as a e male, six feet tall, large , with short brown hair and a and mustache, wearing a T-shirt and blue jeans, en- the elevator with her. He threatened her with a knife ondled her body. He ran from elevator and building when screamed. He was gone when ers arrived and they are in- gating.

At about 1:45 a.m. on June 30 rity officers reported seeing cts on the hill area behind ings on the 500 block of e Street. Officers responded contacted a San Pablo man was found to have an out- ling warrant from Emeryville riving with a suspended li- e. He was arrested.

On the morning of June 30 a ent reported that her light me- blue '88 Chevy Nova had stolen while it was parked on a Fe Avenue near Solano ue. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of June 30 a ent on the 1000 block of way Street reported that es had broken into his white Toyota Corolla while it was d in front of his house. Items ue were taken but there were tnesses.

• On the morning of July 2 a resident on the 1200 block of Brighton Avenue reported that during the night thieves had broken into his gray '96 Mazda van which was parked in the parking garage and stole various items. There were no witnesses.

• On the afternoon of July 2 a resident on the 800 block of Curtis Street reported that while she was away in the afternoon thieves broke into her house and stole items while performing a very messy prowl. There were no witnesses.

• At about 3:45 a.m. on July 3 Albany officers contacted a group of juveniles who were standing in front of the Albany Post Office on Solano Avenue because they were making a lot of noise. They were warned about the noise and sent on their way.

• On the morning of July 3 a resident on the 1100 block of Portland Avenue reported that while he was out of town on business thieves broke into his car, which was parked on the street in front of his house, and stole the battery. There were no witnesses.

• At about 1 a.m. on July 4 an Albany resident reported that while he was out jogging near Spokane Street and Brighton Avenue someone drove by in a white car and threw a glass bottle at him. He was not injured and they were gone before officers could respond.

• On the morning of July 4 a resident on the 700 block of Gateview Avenue reported that his green '95 Honda was stolen while it was parked in front of his house. There were no witnesses.

• On the morning of July 4 Albany officers received a report from Modesto police that a blue '87 Toyota, which had been stolen from Albany last year, had been found in Modesto. It had been stripped and the plates taken. They did not have anyone in custody. The owner was notified.

• During the week of June 30 through July 5, especially during the early morning hours of July 5, there were several reports of fireworks, fire crackers and bottle rockets being set off about town.

• On the afternoon of July 5 a resident on the 900 block of Cornell Avenue reported that just previously she had observed a man she described as a black male take her chairs that she had along the side of her house. When she asked him where he was going with her chairs he dropped the chairs and took off in a gold colored car. She was unable to clearly identify him because he never looked at her.

• At about 7:45 p.m. on July 5 a man on the 500 block of Masonic Avenue reported that at about 6 p.m. his son had been "mugged" by a group of juveniles. They beat him up and took some of his property. This occurred on Brighton Avenue near Stannage Avenue. The boy knew some of his attackers but was reluctant to identify them. Police are investigating.

• During the week of June 29 officers fingerprinted five people at their request, towed two cars, responded to 23 false alarms, intervened in 22 domestic situations, attended to 11 lost or deceased animals, assisted two people who were locked out of their house or car and responded to four reports of barking dogs. Firefighter/paramedics responded to nine fire calls and nine medical emergencies.

Holiday means abbreviated list

By Emily Lundberg

EL CERRITO — On July 11, a San Francisco woman was pulled over for a vehicle code violation on San Pablo and Cutting at 1:45 a.m. She provided another person's ID and was arrested for possession of stolen property when it was discovered the ID was stolen in Oakland on June 18.

• One Pittsburg woman and one Bay Point woman stashed steaks in their purses while in Safeway at 7 a.m. on July 2. When employees attempted to detain the women, the women fought with them. The women were arrested for theft.

On the BART path south of Potrero Avenue, a Richmond man snatched the purse of an El Cerrito woman and ran. The man was apprehended and arrested for robbery 10 minutes after the crime, at 11:31 a.m. on July 2.

• A San Pablo female and Richmond male pulled over on San Pablo and Portola on July 2 at 2 a.m. They found to be in possession of methamphetamine and under the influence of the drug as well. They were arrested for possession of an illegal substance.

County studying regulatory control over patient transfers

MARTINEZ — The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors voted Tuesday to seek regulatory control over hospital transfers of critically ill patients to prevent delays that have been blamed for deaths and injuries.

By a 4-1 vote, the board approved plans for the development of county guidelines to speed the transport of patients from emergency rooms at hospitals where the continuing care they need cannot be provided.

A board committee began studying the issue in March in the wake of a state investigation of transfers from Kaiser Permanente's hospital in Richmond. Three patients reportedly died early this year after waiting for hours to be transferred from Kaiser-Richmond to other facilities where available critical care beds could be located.

In April the board called for a voluntary freeze on the closure of emergency rooms and intensive care units in downsizing moves that had been planned by Kaiser and other health care facilities.

The California Nurses Association claims that patient transfers are sometimes delayed for many hours because the number of available critical care beds is shrinking due either to planned closures or understaffing.

The board authorized county Health Services Director William Walker to work with county hospital officials on a set of voluntary guidelines to insure the swift transfer of seriously ill patients to the closest hospital that can treat them, even if that hospital does not belong to the same managed care group.

But the board also directed the County Counsel's office to research the extent of its authority to impose the transfer guidelines on hospitals under its authority to regulate emergency medical care for county residents.

Supervisor Donna Gerber acknowledged that the county board may be skirting the limits of its powers by attempting to hold hospitals to a set of transfer guidelines.

Although hospitals are subject to regulation by the state Department of Corporations and the state Department of Health Services, Gerber said no agency so far has adequately monitored the potential impact of hospital restructuring on the total availablilty of critical care in each region of the state.

"It has become patently clear, basically, that no one is in charge," Gerber said.

Lynn Baskett, Regional Vice President of the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, said the association is "ready and willing to work on critical care transfer guidelines." But she said the board may inflict needless worry on area health care consumers by overly dramatizing the decline critical care beds in Contra Costa County.

She said only five such beds have been lost to downsizing or restructuring since March 1994. A June study by the Hospital Council concluded that the total number of staffed critical care beds was adequate to serve the needs of the county's population. But the CNA claims the figures do not reflect the actual demands on emergency and critical care facilities.

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Wineries say: There's no more free wine

The Wine File

ALAN GOLDFARB

I think it was Bo Barrett, the winemaker at *Chateau Montelena* in the Napa Valley, who finally broke the logjam several years ago.

Barrett, apparently perturbed at receiving the umpteenth request for a few cases of free wine that week, released a diatribe that has had many a vintner since, thanking him profusely.

Barrett replied to the person who was seeking the charitable donation of his wine by saying something like, "I'd be pleased to give you some of my wine. I've given a lot of it away in the past and I'll probably continue to give it away in the future. I've never asked for anything in return. All I ask is that you talk about the wine. In the past, nobody had any idea what it was they were drinking."

> **'Does a butcher donate the New York steaks? The days of straight donations are gone.'**
>
> *— DOMINIC SCOTTO, STONY RIDGE*

With that, wineries, especially smaller wineries, have begun to take a closer look at what they give away, and to whom.

It is a problem that is of growing concern to vintners, who realize they are in the hospitality business and want to donate their product to worthwhile causes, but at what price?

"People think there is an absurd markup in wine," offers Dominic Scotto of *Stony Ridge* in Livermore, whose company has instituted a policy, as have so many others, of only giving away wine to nonprofit organizations.

Scotto believes Stony Ridge will have given away about 60 cases of wine by the end of the year. That may not seem like much considering it produces 20,000 cases annually, but it does translate to $10,000 in revenues that the company may or may not recoup in goodwill and promotion.

For tiny Westover Vineyard, the hit is even harder. The Castro Valley winery only produces about 2,000 cases a year. Owner Bill Smyth calculates that he gives away about 30 cases a year, which represents about $4,000 in revenue.

Smyth is fed up with giving his product to people who don't appreciate his wine. He's even gone so far as to try an experiment. He cites as example a tasting at which he attended, but at which purposely did not pour his own wines.

"I waited on the other side of the line," Smyth relates, "and I quizzed them (people who had just been poured a glass of Westover). 'How'd you like the wine?' I asked. 'What wine is it?' I asked. They said they didn't know.

"It was the final straw," he says. "That's what alerted me to being supersensitive about all the giveaways."

Lest you think giving away wine only affects the little guys, listen to what Donna Faria, the controller of 70,000-case *Concannon Vineyard* has to say about the subject: "It depends on your perspective," she says with a laugh. "It's probably not much at all if you're coming from the marketing side. But from an accounting point of view, one case is a case too many."

Faria comes from the bean counter side of the ledger and Concannon does give it away — to the tune of about 1,000 cases a year and that doesn't count giveaways to what she calls "the big one" — thousands of cases for marketing and promotional "free goods" giveaways. Faria figures Concannon will give away approximately $85,000 worth of wine this year.

"It equates to a lot of money, a lot of lost revenue," she says. "We've given away a lot of wine that we could have been selling. It increases every year. (But) we're a lot more restrictive on our donations than we have been in the past.

"It's unique to our industry," says Stony Ridge's Scotto regarding the chutzpah some people display in believing wineries are a soft touch. "People want a full glass of wine at these events, and they don't remember the brand name from a hole in the wall.

"Does a butcher donate the New York steaks? The days of straight donations are gone."

The problem had gotten so out of hand for Westover's Smyth, that the Internal Revenue Service wanted to know how come the tiny winery can afford to give away so much wine when it doesn't make all that much money.

"'If you're not making any money, why are you giving so much away?'" Smyth says the IRS asked during an audit. "I told them I was trying to increase my business. They said, 'You're not increasing your business.'

"I don't think we're getting back what we're putting into it," Smyth concludes. "They're (the people to whom he gives wine) not supporting us. They're not going into restaurants and ordering our wine. And they're not coming into our tasting room."

From now on, there's no more free wine.

Montclair resident Alan Goldfarb writes regularly on wine.

Write to him at The Montclarion, 5707 Redwood Road, Oakland, 94611 with questions and comments.

■ New York Times Magazine Puzzle

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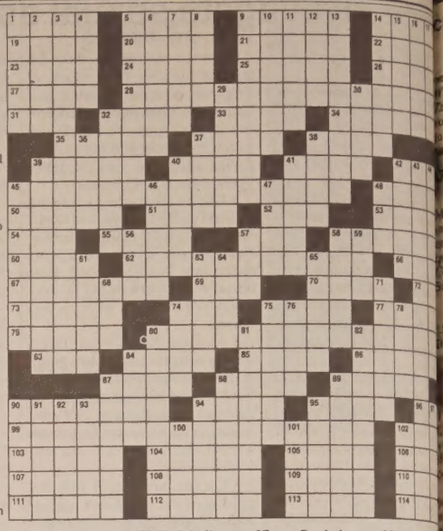

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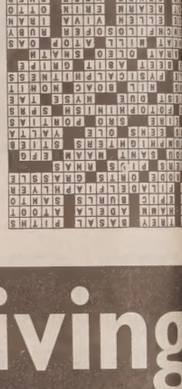

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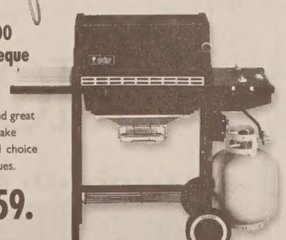

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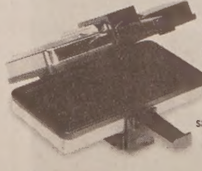

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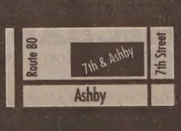

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July 16; noon and 1:15 p.m.; Cowboy yteller Lariat Larry will rope you in h amazing trick roping, spellbinding ries, and Tall Tales of the Wild West. UC Berkeley, Centenial Drive below zzly Peak Blvd.; 642-5132

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uly 10; 6:45-9:15 p.m.; Prevent and come repetitive strain injury $11

Albany High School, 655 Keyroute, hers' lounge, basement; pre-register at 559-6580

Ongoing

Pacific School of Religion

July 10; Informal evening of sacred dance with Omega West Dance Company

July 15; Wing It! Performance Ensemble with Cynthia Winton-Henry

July 17; Love Letters from Cell 92, a readers' theater performance based on Bonhoeffer's correspondence from prison

1798 Scenic Ave; all classes start at 7 p.m., fee $8

Salsa Lessons; 7 - 8 p.m., beginners, 8 - 9 p.m. intermediate; Steve Friedman gives Salsa dance lessons every Monday night at the Francis Albrier Community Center, 2800 Park St., Berkeley; 287-9501; $7 for one, $12 for both lessons.

Health, Fitness & Community Education; classes open to all in salsa, flamenco, ballroom, Afro-Brazilian, bellydance, modern jazz, yoga, chi gung, tai chi, aikido karate, self-defense, fitness boxing, and more; University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 848-6370; $7 - $10 drop in fees.

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World Beat Workout by Kristi Rudolf Saturday at 11:30 a.m.; Monday at 5:30 p.m. & Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

1831 Solano Ave., Berkeley; 528-1958; $7 - $9.

Community Events

July 15

Arthritis Foundation Fibromayalgia Support Groups; noon - 2 p.m.; Rap Session; group meets every third Tuesday of the month; Alta Bates Medical Center, Maffly Auditorium — Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley; 204-4503, 601-0550.

Ongoing

Volunteers needed; Women's Cancer Resource Center needs compassionate volunteers to assist women with cancer, summer training to work on the information and referral hotline and on the one-to-one in-home support program will be held over four weekend mornings, July 19, 20, 26, and 27; deadline for application is July 10; WCRC, 3023 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 548-9272.

Class of 77 Reunion; El Cerrito High class of 77 is looking for you. Aug. 30 is the 20 year reunion date for the ECHS class of 77. If you, or someone you know, graduated in 1977 and did not receive an invitation please phone Liz Hamala or Mark Canepa at 525-3266.

Song Contest: Chief Operator Teen Driving Program, teens are urged to write their own Traffic Safety Song for prizes, fame, and public education; Chief Operator Program, c/o Albany Police Dept., 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany, 94706 Deadline is Oct. 15.

Volunteers Needed to work in the Alzheimer's Respite Social Day Car program, Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. No experience necessary; call Ellen, 215-4340 for more information.

Crisis Support Services of Alameda County; motivated, committed people needed to serve the 24-hour crisis lines; formerly Suicide Prevention; 848-1515.

20 Year Reunion: Holy Names High School Class of 1977; call Seaneen McCarthy at 530-0350.

Kensington 55+ Activity Center

July 10; 11 a.m. Antique Objects with Fran Dowling

July 17; 11 a.m. Travel: Jackie Hetman shows slides of the Volga River, part 2.

Call for the regular weekly schedule.

Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington; 526-9146.

North Berkeley Senior Center

July 10; 1 p.m.; video movie "Forest Gump"

July 11; 1 p.m.; opera "Der Fliedermous — The Bat" Part 1

July 14; 10:30 p.m.; Dr. McGillis on uses and abuses of vitamins, minerals and food supplements

July 15; 1:15 p.m.; Indicisiveness: discussion with Betty Goren

July 16; 1 p.m.; video movie, "Marnie"

July 17; 2 p.m.; paper art with Cecilian Wann

Call for support groups and special services.

1901 Hearst at Martin Luther King Jr. Way; 644-6107.

Exhibits

July 13

Quilt Making Demonstration; 2 p.m.; in conjunction with the exhibition of quilt artist Rosie Lee Tompkins, Irene Bankhead, noted "string" quilter, will give a demonstration at Berkeley Art Museum Pacific Film Archive's Matrix Gallery; 2625 Durant Avenue, Berkeley.

July 16

Stan Peterson; sculpture and furniture, through August 10; artist reception on July 16; 6 - 8 p.m.; ZIA Houseworks, 1310 Tenth St., Berkeley; 528-9224.

July 17

Trash to Treasures; through July 27; Wednesday through Sunday, noon - 5 p.m.; competition winners exhibited at the Berkeley Arts Center, 6713 San Pablo Ave.; 547-6470.

Ongoing

"The Use of Words;" new drawings and paintings on paper by Matthew Offenbacher; through August 3; Espresso Roma Gallery, 1549 Hopkins St., North Berkeley.

Elaine B. Cole; "Painting in Circles" oil on canvas; through July 25; artist reception Friday July 11 4 - 7 p.m.; Gallery of the Center for Psychological Studies, 1398 Solano Ave., Albany; 524-0291.

David Bacon; Photographs of the Pearl Ubungen Dancers & Musicians and the Tenderloin Dance project in rehearsal and performance; through July 31; Cafe Firenze, 2116 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley; 549-0291.

Figures; 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Wednesday - Sunday; Robert Horning, Titia Gudde, Otto Rojas; through July 27, artist reception July 6; Viva Gallery, 1440 University Ave., Berkeley.

"A Year of Quilts;" an exhibit of 12 bed quilts by Mabry Benson of Kensington; through July 29; artist reception July 2; New Pieces Fabric, 1597 Solano Avenue, Berkeley; 527-6779

Tyrell Collins and Erin Fitzgerld; paintings, through July 19; Sticks Gallery, 1579 Solano Ave., Berkeley La Peña

Jews, Germany, Memory: Photographs by Edward Serotta, 1988 - 96; the Berlin-based photojournalist's thought-provoking photos and text probe the future of Jewish life in contemporary unified Germany; through Oct. 12; Judah L. Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St., Berkeley; 549-6950.

A Celebration of Three Decades at the Berkeley Art Center; featuring 20 artists, including Robert Bechtle, Enrique Chagoya, Lia Cook, Barry McGee, Richard Misrach, Betye Saar, and others; through July 12; Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut Street; 644-6893.

Berkeley Historical Center and Museum; "Berkeley Leads: 35 Years of Disability Rights," through October. An exhibit documenting the history of the disability rights movement and also the origins of the Physically Disabled Students' Program at University of California Berkeley in 1962.

Free. Thursday through Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. 1931 Center St., Berkeley. (510) 848-0181.

UC Museum of Paleontology; "Tyrannosaurus rex," A 20-foot tall, 40-foot long replica of the fearsome dinosaur. The replica is made from casts of bones of the most complete T. rex yet excavated. When unearthed in Montana, the bones were all lying in place with only a small piece of the tailbone missing.

"Teranodon," A suspended skeleton of a flying reptile with a wingspan of 22 to 23 feet. The Teranodon lived at the same time as the dinosaurs.

California Fossils Exhibit. An exhibit of some of the fossils which have been excavated in California.

Free. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Lobby, Valley Life Sciences Building, University of California, Berkeley. (510) 642-4877.

Richmond Museum of History "Fertile Ground: The Richmond Area Circa 1900," open-ended. A look at Richmond as it was 90 years ago when it was primarily an agricultural community. The exhibit covers home life, recreational pursuits and the agricultural community which consisted of dairy farms and farms raising wheat, hay and grain.

"The History of Richmond from Native Americans to the Shipyards of the 1940s," permanent exhibit. An exhibit of artifacts, vehicles, clothing and photographs which tells the history of Richmond. Wednesday through Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. 400 Nevin Ave., Richmond. (510) 235-7387.

La Peña Cultural Center

Through July 15; Malaquias Montoya 30 year retrospective; renown painter/printmaker best know for his dynamic political posters and graphics that were instrumental in launching the Chicano Arts Movement of the 60s.

Through Aug. 3; Balance con Huevos: Awareness of Power, photography by Kristina Ruiz-Healy.

Through Aug. 3; Earth Tones, a multicultural art show exploring the earth and its human connections.

3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 849-2568.

Lectures and Workshops

July 10

Chiropractic as a career; 7 p.m.; anyone interested in becoming a doctor of chiropractic is invited to a free career information event featuring Professor of Anatomy and Ombudsman James Hawkins and Drs. Joe Ball and Carol Ball; Life West Chiropractic College; 276-9013, 525-8611 for directions.

Introduction to Sufism; 7:30 p.m.; Shaykh Ibrahim Speigel introduces Sufi

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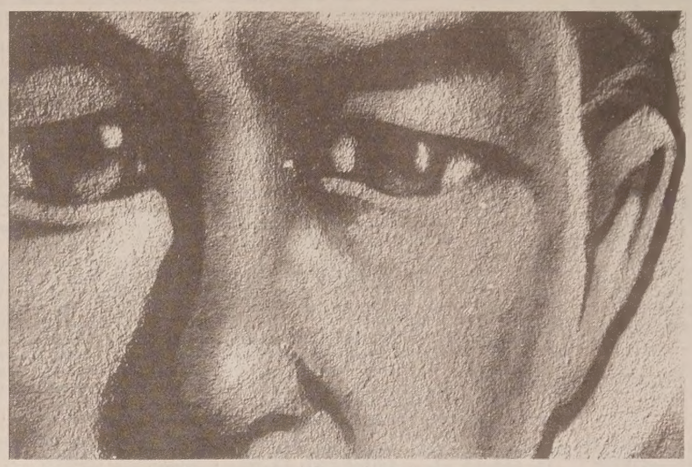

Photography on display

Howard Barkan is exhibiting color photographs of urban, rural, and mountain landscape at Madame's Gallery, 2748 Adeline St., in Berkeley. The exhibit runs through Sunday, Aug. 3. Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Sundays.

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The placement ofsewer lines under sidewalks mean planting strips and trees have fallen victim to sewer rehabilitation work on Peralta Avenue.

Sewer

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a backhoe.

"That's bad. It was certainly not something we planned to do," Ekern said, adding that, "These are not tree people. These are heavy equipment operators."

Though many on the block questioned why the sewer line was not moved into the street in the first place, according to Ekern, the answer to that query is two-fold. For one thing, Peralta was repaved in 1994. Also, such a move would have added 30 feet to each lateral, which connect homes to the main line, thus rendering the cost of the work higher than it already was, Ekern said.

Residents questioned the strategy nonetheless.

"They should never have put that line there," said Rene. "This tree was a beautiful, big tree."

"The reality is they could have done it different ways," said George Bennett, a contractor who lives with Harford. "In reality, they probably didn't save a nickel."

As for the loss of the sidewalk gardens, as mentioned above, Ekern said that because the planting strips are on public property, those who tend them do so "at their own risk." Although some knew of the pending destruction, many others said they did not and were infuriated to find patches of freshly dug earth where their gardens had been prior to the crew's arrival.

"The main problem is that they have not been letting people know," said Harford.

"Lack of communication is a big problem, I guess," said Charlotte Saulsbury, who also lost her garden.

In addition to the above-mentioned complaints, a main sewer line apparently was improperly connected. That problem, in turn, was compounded by the long holiday weekend, during which a mysterious flow of water bubbled from the earth and collected in front of Harford's steps.

Although Harford called City Hall in search of help, no one was there to answer because of the holiday. According to Ekern, what she should have done was call the police department instead, which would have dispatched a city crew to remedy the problem.

Also, though the great majority of those contacted were enraged by the result of the project, residents were not entirely unanimous in castigating the construction crew. One man who suffered little damage simply shrugged the incident off, as if to say, "That's progress." Another woman, Joann Nelson, kept a watchful eye on the crew and also experienced no damage.

"I'm really fortunate I was here the two days they were in front of my house," Nelson said.

According to Ekern, those who did suffer damage as a result of the work will have any losses replaced, and those who do not should call him personally at 528-5760. Many on the block, however, remained doubtful that their gardens, which they have tended in some cases for years, would be replaced entirely to their liking.

Also, Ekern said, those who lost their front yard gardens suffered little compared to other city residents with sewer lines running through the rear of their property. "The people who are having their sidewalks torn up should see the neighbors who had their backyards torn up," he said.

At present, the Peralta Avenue line marks the end of the city's current sewer rehabilitation effort, which is being conducted to reduce rainwater infiltration. Though the next residential project area has yet to be determined, as planned, crews will turn their attention to Solano Avenue in January, 1998, when, according to Ekern, they will "tear the (heck) out of the street" as they move sewer lines from under the sidewalks into the middle of Albany's main pedestrian thoroughfare.

Jeff Lindquist

The city says it will pay to repair damage to gardens.

Del Norte

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Norte/BART site that both reflects the realities of the marketplace and is something neighbors can agree to.

A task force was set up after the development as proposed — a mixed-use development including a 20-screen cineplex, 36,639 square feet of retail, a parking garage and 208 residential units — elicited overwhelming disapproval from adjacent neighborhoods.

At the last City Council meeting, Councilmember and task force chair Mark Friedman distributed a report that outlined the task force participants, the subject, timing and orchestration of the three future Del Norte community meetings, the proposed budget, a community outreach plan, a plan for choosing a facilitator and economic/market analysis consultant, and a plan for generating a community survey.

Also on the meeting's agenda was the proposal that the Agency donate $10,000 to the planning process.

At the second Del Norte task force meeting, numerous residents stressed the need for comprehensive market, environmental and transportation studies, among others, and expressed concern over the limited resources.

Brusatori said she thought it would be appropriate for the Agency to "spend as much on the North Gateway as you did not the South Gateway." The item on this week's council agenda, however, listed a figure of $10,000, half the $20,000 the Agency put up to plan the South Gateway project.

Brusatori reasserted her belief that an equal $20,000 should be granted to the North Gateway, to Del Norte. Friedman, meanwhile, said he thought the Agency should contribute at least $10,000 and perhaps more if needed.

Several residents who participated in the task force meetings expressed disappointment over the diminished sum. Anne Delehunt urged the Agency to make the whole $20,000 financial commitment, saying, "Let's be realistic, let's fund this thing, and let's get something decent."

That met with some reluctance. "I think it is premature to come up with a budget," said Jellison.

Instead of the task force "creating a mark," Jellison suggested it look at the market and base its "mark" on the market figures. She also urged the task force to look for volunteers in the community.

La Force said he was disturbed the community's rejection of BART's market consultants "under the assumption that they will cook the books," particularly since BART offered its services for free. "I cannot abide by the notion that because they have worked with the city or are involved in the process, they are somehow tainted, " he said. He also said he did not want to risk jeopardizing the Plaza process, which is another venture with BART.

The Agency's offer of $10,000 would come from $60,000 allocated for consulting and marketing services for the Plaza, to be reimbursed by the developer, Wilton Terranomics. "Consulting and marketing" includes property appraisal, financial analysis and planning services. The Agency's agenda bill states that "If $10,000 is allocated to the Del Norte planning process, there will be $10,000 less for Plaza."

When Agency Chair Jane Bartke asked what the potential consequences would be on the Plaza, Redevelopment Program Manager Elisa Tierney answered, "I think it definitely puts us at risk with the developer." She said that if the Plaza project is stalled because the Agency does not have the money to move forward, the Agency will be in an "awkward position with the developer." She added that losing $10,000 toward the Plaza would, most likely, not stall the process, but there is some risk involved. Agency Chair Jane Bartke, however, said "she had no problem" with $10,000.

Facilitator and economic consultant

Without resolving the money issue, the City Council moved on to the contentious issue of selecting a facilitator and economic consultant.

The task force has drafted two requests for qualifications and has scheduled interviews with facilitators and economic consultants for July 24.

That became the ground for division among council members. La Force said he did not believe the City Council/Redevelopment Agency delegated selection of the facilitator and economic consultant to the task force. He maintained that such a decision should not go outside of the city staff, or the City Council/Redevelopment Agency.

"We are the people who have been elected to represent the city of El Cerrito and the Redevelopment Agency. It is really our job to make the selection as we did with the El Cerrito Plaza process," La Force said. City Attorney Howard Stern agreed that if there were to be contracts with any of the consultants, the City would be the agency that enters into the contracts.

Friedman, however, said that if La Force and Jellison had had the chance to attend the task force meetings, they would be more sympathetic to the "wisdom of the community process."

"I think one of our major challenges is re-establishing a sense of trust in the community," he said. "Part of doing that is trusting the wisdom of those people who participate long and hard in the process."

He asked La Force to "let go of the reigns a little bit and give it forth into the committee and have some faith that good decisions will be made."

Friedman suggested the City Council/Redevelopment Agency approve the task force's plan in concept, procure volunteer facilitators and panelists for the group's Aug. 2 meeting, and come back to the City Council/Redevelopment Agency with recommendations of facilitators and consultants when it meets Aug. 4.

Brusatori said she accepted Mark's motion and agreed with everything he said. "We are trying very hard — some of us more than others — to work with the community to re-instill a sense of partnership, trust and communication," she said. "And I am appalled, disappointed and disgusted that there is some dialogue going on that is too reminiscent of the shenanigans that went on when I was not a member of this body, for the measure H."

In 1996, the Neighbor to Neighbor task force recommended a $75 tax dubbed Measure H that would have funded El Cerrito Fire Department operations and allowed the money usually allocated for the Fire Department to be used for other needs. The council instead put a $125 annual assessment before voters and saw the measure fail soundly.

Brusatori said she did not contest the council's right to make such a decision, but did contest "not having a discussion with the community, with the task force particularly, about the pros and cons of the thoughts of the council."

"And today we are almost falling into that same trap," she said, "except I would walk off the podium were that to happen. We need to not be control freaks, but leave it to the community."

Nothing more was said on the subject.

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency then approved the Del Norte planning process task force plan, minus the budget, on the condition that the task force bring recommendations on possible facilitators and consultants to the Council/Redevelopment Agency Aug. 4.

Task force

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munity Planning process and The Prince of Wales' Institute of Architecture's urban design project, which will concentrate on San Pablo Avenue, as well as El Cerrito as a whole.

The Institute has been invited by the City of El Cerrito, the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce, Sustainable El Cerrito, the Albany El Cerrito Kiwanis Club, the Del Norte Neighbors, the Association of Bay Area Governments, and the Sierra Club to take part in a project dubbed "Crafting a Community Vision for El Cerrito."

The Institute conducts an annual six-week summer program, attracting urban design students from around the world, offering them course work, and letting them loose on a locale. This summer the Institute will conduct its extensive two-week urban design project in El Cerrito.

Sustainable El Cerrito chair Steve Price said the Institute chose El Cerrito because of its two BART stations, its major transportation corridor, San Pablo, and its suburbanism. The Institute believes suburbs suffer from a lack of design scrutiny, Price said.

"One of the fundamental concerns of the Institute since its foundation is how best to involve those who will have to live and work in a particular area in its planning and design," the Institute's mission statement declares. Price and Lori Dair, another member of Sustainable El Cerrito, proposed integrating the beginning of the Del Norte Planning process, specifically the first meeting involving the panel presentation and lecture on the history of the Del Norte development and the dynamics of the area, with what was to be the Institute's first evening lecture on the problems and opportunities facing inner suburbs.

But Dair and Price, who have been orchestrating the Institute's visit, feared that community members partaking in both the Del Norte Planning process and the Institute's events might suffer from "participation burnout." Also, integrating the two processes would save money on both facilitation and snacks.

Most task force and audience members assumed integration meant giving each side equal time to air their subject matter, and thereby saw a danger in the Del Norte Planning Process taking a back seat to the Institute's larger agenda.

Rosemary Loubal said she feared the Institute professors and students would intimidate community members, thereby limiting their participation. She also said that if Institute students and instructors received most of their information from city staff, some citizens would feel the students and instructors were basing their input on a biased foundation.

"If we are going to have them involved, I want to ride around on the bus with them, and have them see what it is like to push a baby stroller across San Pablo," said Rosemary Loubal.

Task force members Denise Fleig and Charles Oewel agreed with Loubal, saying they thought the Del Norte Process might get lost in the shuffle.

Even after Lori Dair explained that the Institute would be completely supplanting its lecture and panel presentation with the discussion on Del Norte, opinions did not change.

BART's Jeff Ordway asked, "Can they be asked to integrate in our process instead?" The task force eventually came to the conclusion that this was the best option, that saving money on facilitation and snacks was not worth the risk of taking the community planning process out of the community's hands.

They decided the Institute could address the Del Norte Process within their "inner suburbs" discussion; therefore the community would have the option of attending an extra meeting to become further educated in the Del Norte process and in wider market and design issues, without jeopardizing the process.

The facilitator

A subcommittee made up of BART's Ordway, resident Bob Sessler and AC Transit representative Miriam Hawley presented a Draft Scope of Effort for a facilitator of the Del Norte Planning Process. This will be distributed to potential facilitators, who will be screened, and selectively called in to be interviewed by the task force on July 24. Volunteer facilitators will be considered as well.

Throughout the task force meetings, participants discussed whether the facilitator should possess some expertise in urban design or land use. Some participants said they thought the facilitator's objectivity would be skewed by his or her predisposed knowledge. It was generally agreed that a someone who has facilitated meetings concerning development and land use would be more desirable than a facilitator with expertise in that particular field.

According to the subcommittee's draft scope of effort, there will be one hired facilitator to oversee the whole process, with subgroups facilitated by city staff or community volunteers.

The main facilitator will be expected to meet with the task force before each planning meeting to review the agenda and the facilitator's role within it; he or she will be expected to organize the break out groups, instruct the break out group facilitators, identify a "recorder" for each break out group who will report back to the main planning meeting body, and incorporate these reports into an overall planning meeting synopsis for distribution to the Redevelopment Agency and the community.

Economic/market analysis consultant

A subcommittee comprised of Councilmember Mark Friedman, developer Charles Oewel and resident Grant Ricketts drafted a "Scope of work for economic/market analysis consultant." According to this draft, the consultant will be expected to provide an overview of the local market, economy, and demographics at meeting one, be available as the community generates scenarios in meeting two, and analyze the scenarios in meeting three.

In meeting three, the economic/market analysis consultant will study the various scenarios on the basis of economic viability, responsiveness to local market conditions and demographics, practicality of project in terms of the necessary financial contribution from the redevelopment agency or developer, and the potential return to the city in terms of sales tax and property tax increment.

The economic/market analysis consultant must have experience with and knowledge of BART, retail development, mixed use projects, community planning, El Cerrito and sustainable development, among other things.

Community survey

Mark Friedman brought in a sample survey completed by resident Steve Klein who had been present at a previous meeting, but was not present at this July 2 meeting. While Frisco Del Rosario said he thought the survey was pivotal because merchants he spoke to knew nothing about the development, most other participants had doubts about the design, purpose, and wording of the survey.

Price said participants need to decide how they will weigh what comes out of the survey against what comes out of the planning process itself. Rosemary Lou[...] she would prefer that the diagram on the survey [...] both sides of San Pablo, so that the recipient thinks [...] the area as a whole. One resident suggested mak[...] survey more like a voter information pamphlet.

It was generally agreed that two surveys w[...] best: one a front-end informational survey and [...] back-end integrity check.

The task force formed a subcommittee consis[...] residents Anne Delehunt and Peter Loubal as [...] merchant/resident Frisco Del Rosario to exam[...] survey issue and make a report at the next [...] meeting.

Friction

The only friction in what had been, up until [...] completely friendly and jovial environment, broke [...] the end of the July 2 meeting.

Resident Phil Shaw who lives on Junction, just [...] the Del Norte BART station, said he had given [...] going to City Council meetings because it was c[...] City Council "cares squat" about the Del Norte nei[...]hood.

He said he believed the proposed (Megatheat[...] obscene and He said he came to this meeting to [...] was any different.

Houses are for sale in the Del Norte neighborho[...] are not being bought because of this project, he c[...] He has been renting for years and has though[...] buying the house he rents "until this happened [...] there is no way I will buy it."

He asked developer Charles Oewel, "Have yo[...] vision or a change of heart?" Oewel replied that [...] not the time or place to address this.

When resident Peter Loubal said the whole De[...] neighborhood feels the way Shaw does, merchant [...] Del Rosario disagreed, saying "I bought my pl[...] cause of this development going in." Loubal and [...] then started talking loudly over one another abo[...] the other could not speak for the neighborhood and [...] up out of their chairs. Mark Friedman stepped [...] calmed both men down.

The task force members and other participants [...] up to their task at that moment: To create a pro[...] which every member of the neighborhood can sp[...] him or herself.

Kids celebrate 4th

A simulated ocean was just one of the oppor[...] for July 4 kids' fun at the El Cerrito Presc[...] Daycare Co-op Arts & Crafts Festival.

Fun

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tural Arts Center, or buy an Albany 94706 T-sh[...] Albany Chamber of Commerce table.

"A lot of people I haven't seen in years are c[...] through," said Albany resident Ray Anderson [...] like a reunion today."

The main source of entertainment, however, [...] the adjacent baseball field, where the 19 mem[...] San Francisco-based Make A Circus group unl[...] single moving truck and, as their name suggests, [...] a circus. With acts ranging from tumbling to tigh[...] walking to tricks on the high trapeze, the group [...] seemingly hundreds of children present giggli[...] delight, wowing them for hours under a brillia[...] sky.

The circus was, in fact, an interactive experie[...] children by the dozen found themselves in th[...] tumbling, juggling, and running about under th[...] of "wild circus animals." Paid for by the city [...] grant from PG&E, the show seemed to lea[...] disappointed, something noticed by, among [...] Recreation and Community Services Direct[...] Jones, who gauged the event's success by l[...] toward the faces in the audience.

"There were lot of smiles out there," Jones [...]

As the circus came to a close, residents st[...] back into the park. Some huddled around picnic ta[...] or on lawn chairs, expressing their national pri[...] many a version of the red, white and blue. [...] desiring a bit more exotic experience chose ins[...] skank for "independence of your mind, body and [...] to the eerie rhythms of the West African Highlife [...] and a good time was had by all.

Dates and times

The Del Norte community planning meetings will take p[...] Windrush school, from 3p.m. to 6 p.m., on Aug. 2, Aug. 2[...] Sept. 20. These dates may be subject to change.

The Prince of Wales' Institute of Architecture even[...] tentatively scheduled for July 25 at 6:30 p.m., July 26 at 10[...] and Aug. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

The first evening lecture and panel presentation will be o[...] problems and opportunities facing inner suburbs and will fe[...] Los Angeles-based architect and planner Stefanos Polyzoid[...]

The second morning meeting will be a community pla[...] workshop, where the community will share its ideas and co[...] about development in the area.

The last Aug. 8 meeting will be a final report and presen[...] of the students design ideas for El Cerrito.

Firm dates and locations will be published again in the Jo[...] but, for now, mark your calender (with pencil).

Albano wins OCC singles net title

y Scott Strain

In a way, it's too bad that Lisa bano will be getting married next ar. She'll miss her chance of three-ating at the Oakland City Tennis ampionships.

Albano, from Berkeley, made it o in a row with a 6-3, 6-1 victory er unseeded Janice Nyland of vis Sunday morning at Davie nnis Stadium. She became the st woman to win back-to-back les since Linda Van Der Meer in 64-65.

But she probably won't catch nda Vail, who won three titles m 1961-63. Albano, 27, plans to t married next year and live in ston. Albano, who teaches ten-s at Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club Orinda, lives in Berkeley by way Peabody, Mass., where she grew . She also played on the women's nis team at Cal from 1988-92, d held down the No. 1 spot for her t three years.

Albano won another title Sun-y when she and partner Mike rren of San Bruno won the mixed ubles title with a 6-2, 0-6, 6-3 ctory over Ashlee Ashba of Sac-mento and Bryan Nempomunceno of Hillsborough.

But it was the singles title that mattered most to Albano. She ran through three opponents without losing a set and, with the expanded field, didn't even have to play her first match until Saturday.

> **'It was tough. The first set I was pretty lazy and I wasn't moving my feet. It was really hard seeing in the shadows.'**
>
> *— LISA ALBANO, OCC SINGLES CHAMP*

Albano defeated Lisabeth Mapuri, whom she beat in three sets in last year's finals, 6-1, 6-0 in the quarterfinals and then knocked off Rosie Baries of Alameda, 6-1, 6-1, in the semifinals. Both matches were played Saturday.

Nyland, 16, is No. 4 in the Northern California Tennis Association under -18 rankings. She was no match for Albano's experience, once she got going.

"Today I felt I got started a little slow, but the second set went well for me," Albano said. "My serve always gets broken. My services has always been weaker than the rest of my game. I've been working on it, but I don't play that much any more.

"I rely on breaking the other person's serve and try to hold mine."

All three games Nyland won in the first set came on service breaks. Luckily, Albano broke Nyland four times and held her own service for the sixth and deciding game. She also didn't make very many unforced errors.

The early morning (9 a.m.) start also affected both players, as the shifting shadows from the overhanging trees made the ball difficult to see at times.

"It was tough," she said. "The first set I was pretty lazy and I wasn't moving my feet. It was really hard to see in the shadows. You lose the ball and then it appears again. You really have to move your feet. I was happier in the second set and it was easier to see, too.

Albano praised her opponent who gave her trouble in the first set but disintegrated in the second in a mass of unforced errors, including five double faults.

"She has good ground strokes, she said. "Normally I bet she has a great serve. It was a little off today and I thin that hurt her. She young and think she is going to do really well."

Experience was the big factor in this match. At Cal, Albano had to face the best of the rest in the Pac-10 Conference, regularly meeting the top players at USC, UCLA, and Stanford.

"We had some good teams at Cal, and I learned a lot under (Cal women's coach) Jan Brogan. "Every match against those teams was a struggle, but they taught me a lot."

All that experience held her in good stead at the Oakland City Championships.

In the men's singles final, Bryon Juino of Cerritos defeated Thomas Burwell of San Francisco, 7-6 (7-2), 6-4.

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Jeff Lindquist

Berkeley's Lisa Albano defeated Janice Nyland Sunday to win the Oakland City Tennis singles title.

Jeff Lindquist

Benny Goldenberg gets one of his three hits and three RBIs as the Albany All-Stars finally exploded against Pinole.

Albany Junior All-Stars break out big in District 4 opener

By Scott Strain

District 4 Juniors
Albany 14 Pinole 4

It had to be a little frustrating for the Albany Junior All-Stars. It was their opening District 4 game and they had solved Pinole-Hercules pitching for seven hits in the first three innings.

Problem was, they had no runs. Seven hits and no runs. When is the last time that happened in a Little League game? "We were getting a little frustrated," Albany first baseman David Klein said. "Usually we get two-out hits, but we weren't getting them. We did finally we break through."

The Albany All-Stars "broke through" big time in the last three innings, scoring 14 runs on 14 hits and defeating Pinole-Hercules, 14-4, last Thursday at Albany High School.

Albany plays a winner's bracket game Wednesday against either Clayton Valley or North Oakland.

Klein was one of the hitting heroes for Albany, going 4-for-4 with a sacrifice and driving in three runs. Albany scored seven runs in the seventh inning to put the game away.

> **We did a little creative playing and the game broke open.**
>
> *— DALE MOORE, ALBANY MANAGER*

"They were all good pitches to hit," Klein said about his hits. "They were all out over the plate."

In the first inning, a single by Sam Martinsen and a double by Benny Goldenberg were sandwiched around a double play. In the second inning, James Assia singled and then was thrown out at second on an attempted steal. Klein followed with a ground single to left.

In the third inning, Martinsen had an infield hit and Jason Moore lined a single to left, but Pinole-Hercules pitcher Alan Yoshida got Goldenberg on a soft comeback liner, walked Chris Alfert and then ended the inning when he got Assia on a pop-up.

Klein opened the fourth inning with a line single to left but was forced at second. In the bottom half of the inning Pinole-Hercules touched starter Stephen Drapeau for two runs and it was starting to look like one of "those" games for Albany.

But the Albany All-Stars finally got out of their funk in the top of the fifth, when Goldenberg singled in Martinsen, who had

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Albany Seniors win n game of errors

y Scott Strain

What's worse, shoddy fielding wild pitching? The Senior Ma-rs teams from Martinez and Al-ny conducted an experiment last ednesday to determine which ncept could lose a game.

Shoddy fielding, in the case by artinez, loses games. In spite of poor fielding Albany advanced with a wild 10-9 victory in the first-round game of the District 4 Tournament.

District 4 TOC Seniors
Albany 10 Martinez 9

The All-ars were scheduled to play Wal-ut Creek in a second-round game uesday at Northgate High in Wal-ut Creek.

Albany seemed have the game ell in hand when scored eight runs five hits in the urth inning to ke a 10-1 lead. wo big Martinez rors — dropped pop-ups on the field — helped keep the inning ive.

David Avila-Silver delivered the g hit of the inning, a two-run, side-the-park home run that appeared to put a cap on the scoring. Martinez had three errors total in the inning. Morgan Corbell drove in the final run of the inning with a bloop single to left.

On the Albany bench, There was talk of the 10-run rule and calling it an early evening.

But Albany couldn't stand the prosperity. Pitchers Moses Kompar, Thomas Smith and Tim Onweller combined to walk four batters in the sixth inning. When Tony Arieta doubled home three runs to make the score 10-8, things were looking shaky.

Another Martinez run scored on an error to close the gap to 10-9, and all talk on the Albany bench about the slaughter rule was stilled. Now the team just wanted to win the game. Tim Onweller, the third Albany pitcher of the inning ended the Martinez rally with a runner on third by getting Jason Stewart out on a swinging third strike.

> **David Avila-Silver hits inside-the-park home run**

Adam Phillips, the fourth Albany pitcher of the game, still had to get through the seventh. He did, although not without some drama.

After walking leadoff hitter Jo-

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Smoke clinches Connie Mack tie

By Scott Strain

The Oakland Smoke continues to win, and continues to surprise manager Joel Kaufman.

"I thought we would actually be looking at a .500 team," Kaufman said. "We are young and have little experience at this level of play. I thought our team would be very good next year, when we would be a year older."

But things in baseball have a habit of going awry, and the Smoke is no different. The team leads the Bay Area Division of Connie Mack Baseball with a 15-7 record and is a pretty sure bet to make the Northern California Regionals, set to start July 22 at the College of Alameda.

> **'The division winner qualifies for the playoffs. One other team could get an at-large spot.'**
>
> **— JOEL KAUFMAN, SMOKE MANAGER**

The Smoke, comprised of players ages 16-18, have a two-game lead in the division and, although it has 15 games left in its regular-season, they have only one left in their division. They have clinched a tie for the title and would win it outright if they can win that one remaining divisional game.

The other teams in the Bay Area Division are Alameda, Concord, and Hayward.

"The division winner qualifies for the playoffs," Kaufman said. "One other team could get an at-large spot."

The Smoke has built its record on good hitting and pitching. As a team, it is hitting .360 and is led by Berkeley High junior Toby Ruday-White, who is hitting .450. Mark Hitchcock, a junior from College Prep, is hitting .350 and has three game-winning hits.

Top pitchers are Skyline freshman John Thane, who is 5-0 and Stanford-bound Jason Young of Berkeley, who is 3-1.

"I've got a lot of top kids who

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File '97 Jeff Lindquist

Infielder Mark Hitchcock, a junior at College Prep, is hitting .350 for the Oakland Smoke with three game-winning hits.

Albany

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seph Patten and seeing him advance to third on a steal and wild pitch, Phillips struck out the next two batters and got Nick Roth on a grounder to second for the final out of the game.

Albany second baseman Chris Chin made a good play to throw out the sliding Roth, who just barely missed being called safe.

Phillips had a definite idea of what he wanted to do when he came into pitch in the seventh.

"I wanted to strike everybody out," said Phillips. "I just ignored the runner on first and tried to get everybody out. Even with the comeback, I still figured we would win. I was surprised at Martinez; I though they'd be down and out when we had that nine-run lead." Albany manager Ruben Fielder put a positive spin on the game's outcome.

"It wasn't boring," said Fielder. "It was our first game together as a team and they hung together and fought for the victory. We'll just see how far we can go.

"It was a fun game. It was a struggle, but this is the type of game where you find out what type of team you have. They stuck together and played good defense. We've only had three practices together as an all-star team and it needs game experience."

Game experience? This team got enough experience for three games, and it was one that they hope they don't have to repeat.

Smoke

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played in the North Oakland Little League, so I know a bunch of them," said Kaufman, who coached the NOLL Blue Jays.

"The best thing about it (Connie Mack) is that I can go out and recruit. I'm not set by any boundaries. I can go out and get the best 18 players to fill the roster."

The Smoke plays their home games at Contra Costa College in San Pablo. Games that are played on Tuesday and Thursday start at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday doubleheaders begin at noon.

Albano

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The total prize money offered in the championships was approximately $6,200. Burwell, tops in a field of 128 players, won $1,000. Albano won $500.

All-Stars

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walked, stole second and advanced to third on a grounder. Alfert had an infield hit and Assia popped a blooper to center that loaded the bases.

Klein bunted for a hit, scoring Goldenberg. Then Alfert scored on Drapeau's groundout for a 3-2 lead. Jeremy LeBeau laid out another bunt which scored Assia, giving Albany a 4-2 advantage.

The bunts were called by manager Dale Moore, who felt he had to do something to jump start his offense.

"We broke it open at the end," Moore said. "We had guys on base, but we just weren't getting the runs. Finally we did a little creative playing and the game broke open.

"This team is jelling pretty quickly. They know each other from school. Things just started going our way, they didn't for the first five innings."

Albany scored three runs in the sixth and then broke the game open with seven runs on seven hits in the seventh. Alfert's two-run double in the inning was the big blow.

Albany collected 21 hits in the game, with Moore, Goldenberg and Assia getting three apiece. Goldenberg and Klein each drove in three runs, while Moore, Alfert and Drapeau each getting two. Albany also ran wild on the bases and was credited with 12 steals. Martinsen and LeBeau each had four steals.

Pitchers Drapeau, Moore Alfert held Pinole-Hercules runs on four hits.

Albany catcher Jeremy LeBeau puts the tag on Pinole runner Brandon Barchard trying to ... from third in the bottom of the fist inning.

PET TALK...

Unwanted Kittens Shower the Bay Area

Oakland SPCA Combats Problem of Pet Overpopulation

The Oakland SPCA is bracing for the seasonal surplus in the number of unwanted kittens surrendered to local shelters. May was the start of a six month period during which the Oakland SPCA has received as many as 50 unwanted kittens in one day. The OSPCA would like to take this opportunity to remind the community that "pet overpopulation" is a problem that doesn't have to exist.

The average unaltered cat can produce 3 litters each year with an average litter size of 7-10 kittens. "Anyone who intentionally or unintentionally allows their dog or cat to have,even one litter, has unleashed a potential population explosion of amazing size," explains Gary Templin, President of the OSPCA. "Spaying or neutering your animals is simple, inexpensive, and most importantly, an essential way to combat the problem of pet overpopulation.

A disappointing reality is that there are simply not enough homes for these unwanted pets. Many kittens brought to the OSPCA may be sick or too young to survive on their own. A number of them are the offspring of feral or abandoned cats that, if left unspayed/unneutered, are capable of reproducing litter after litter, exacerbating the problem of pet overpopulation.

The OSPCA strongly recommends that all kittens and puppies be spayed or neutered as early as eight weeks of age -- before they have a chance to produce pets which may not be lucky enough to find loving homes. In 1996, 4,578 animals were spayed/neutered at the Oakland SPCA.

The Oakland Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (OSPCA) is a nonprofit charitable organization supported entirely by voluntary donations. It receives no tax dollars or national subsidies of any kind. It offers a wide variety of programs and services for animals that include a full service animal shelter, pet adoptions, spaying and neutering domestic animal companion erinary services, lost and services, and educational grams. Founded in 187 Oakland SPCA strives for when there is a balance be the number of companion a available and the number ple desiring them.

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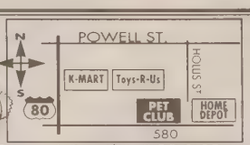

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Arts & Letters

East Bay Events

Grrrl, Quarantina (Julia Perani) is not intimidated by the of Mars (Richard Goodman) in 'Riot Grrrl on Mars.'

rkeley Opera ends season with blast

erkeley Opera's 1997 season will close with a world premiere new adaption of Rossini's *Italian Girl in Algiers. The Riot l on Mars* opens this Saturday, July 12, at 8 p.m. at the Julia gan Theatre and runs through July 27. Rossini's classic is rmed in a new English adaptation by David Scott Marley who ted last season's *Die Fledermaus*, set in modern day Berkeley. ossini's two-act opera is updated to feature a generation X an who flies to Mars in a homemade rocket to rescue her riend who has been abducted by extra-terrestrials. Tickets are adult; $22 senior; $15 youth; charge by phone 798-1300.

otgun Players perform free at park

e Shotgun Players will bring their version of William espeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to Live Oak Park for hoontime performances beginning Saturday July 12 and nuing July 13, 19 and 20. The performance places live actors gside a variety of life-sized, hand, rod and marioneeete puppets ing out the surreal lunacy of Shakespeare's unique comedy. performances are geared toward children 8 and over.

IUG hosts first annual rummage sale

e Berkeley Macintosh User's Group will host its first annual nage sale on Saturday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.. nteers will staff tables selling used computer equipment and vare at the BMUG offices at 2055 Center St. For more mation, to purchase a table or sell your equipment or software gh BMUG volunteers call Colleen Miller at 549-2684 x210.

d Johnson, Todd Wacker and David Wrright (left to right) ear in the Contra Costa Civic Theatre production.

e Wiz coming to El Cerrito theatre

e Contra Costa Civic Theatre will present *The Wiz* as the next series of summer musicals. The show will run July 11 through 16 with Friday and Saturday performances at 8 p.m. and lay matinees scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. Tickets are $12 for s; $6 for youth. After-performance discussion with the director cast will take place July 27 and Aug. 3. For reservations call 9132.

e *Wiz* marks Becky Hesla's directorial debut at CCCT. Prior essional credits include scropt coordinator at Eugune O'Neill ter, literary intern at the Berkeley Repertory Theatre and mes and properties at the California Shakespeare Co. *The Wiz* re Natlie F. Amaya, William J. Barker, Roy E. Buckingham II, ory Canales, Nathan Day and Charlie Fields among many s.

rtney Shropshire (left), Robert Wood and Kimerly Gabor.

tors Ensemble offering a 'Holiday'

e Actors Ensemble of Berkeley present Philip Barry's day, the acclaimed romantic comedy, directed by Suzan ine, opening Friday, July 11 at 8 p.m. at Live Oak Theatre, Shattuck. Tickets are $9, call 528-5620 for reservations.

Young musicians program celebrates

By Denise Johnstone

Some may view them as 80 youngsters from low-income families. It may be more accurate to see them as 80 privileged young people. For all are extremely musically gifted and are developing their potential, thanks to a community outreach program celebrating its 30th anniversary.

They are the members of the Young Musicians Program, YMP, based at UC Berkeley.

Competition to join the Young Musicians Program is tough. Every year some 100 youngsters from low-income families in the Bay Area audition.

Only 10 to 12 are accepted and receive free all-year-round private instruction tailored to suit their needs and interests.

The curriculum is made up of an extensive array of both theory and practical classes. The instructors include members of the San Francisco Symphony and Oakland East Bay Orchestra, several eminent professional classical and jazz musicians and university and college staff.

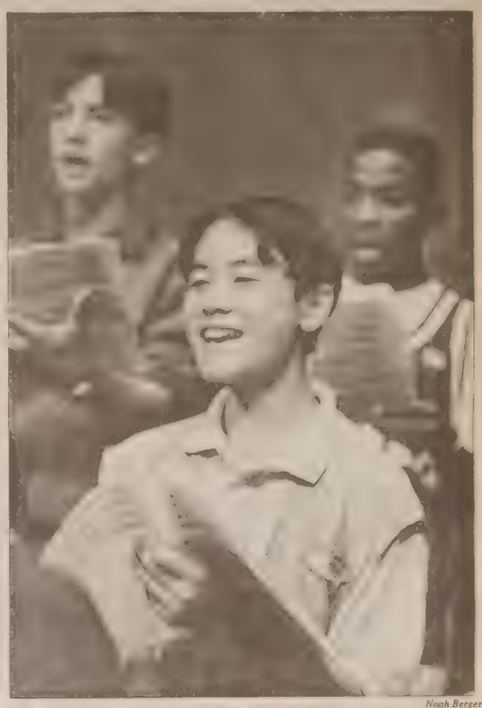
The youngsters, aged 11 to 17, also attend an intensive seven-week summer session at the Berkeley campus. It has proved to be a highly successful formula. In the past nine years all the seniors have won college places, some at extremely prestigious establishments such as Yale and the Oberlin Conservatory.

The YMP is funded in part by the university, but relies on foundations and private individualsfor over half its income. In 1994, the program launched an endowment fund for which it hopes to gain $4.25 million. It still has another $3 million to go.

To help bolster the fund and to celebrate the YMP's 30th anniversary, a friend of the program, flugelhornist Dmitri Matheny and friends will perform at a benefit concert on Monday, July 14 at Yoshi's, Jack London Square, described as the Bay's Area's newest and finest jazz venue. The occasion is also a celebration of the recent release of Matheny's critically acclaimed jazz CD, *Penumbra —The Moon Sessions.*

General admission to the concert, just one of many special events to mark the YMP's 30th anniversary, is $15 and $10 for seniors and students. Tickets are available at Yoshi's box office, phone 238-9200 or 762-BASS.

The YMP students will not be performing at the benefit concert. However, during its summer program, the YMP holds recitals every Wednesday and Friday at Hertz Hall on the Berkeley campus. All start at 1p.m. except for Wednesday, July 30 when it will be held at 3 p.m. and Friday Aug. 1, when it will start at 7:30 p.m. There is also a final concert scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 3. Entrance is free.



Noah Berger

Phanat Beng, 13, and other children rehearse at UC Berkeley.

Anyone interested in contributing to the YMP's endowment fund can contact the program director Marsha Jaeger on (510)-642-2686.

'Pericles' a rare treat for Shakespeare fans

By Phyllis Lyon

"What pageantry, what feats, what shows, what minstrelsy and pretty dins ..." Without missing a drum beat, The California Shakespeare Festival crowd all that and more into *Pericles Prince of Tyre*, the second production of their 1997 summer season.

Pericles hops scene after fast-paced scene among six ancient city-states on the eastern Mediterranean — as well as at sea. So, to the music of the oud, gimbri and sitar and chants while facing Mecca, the Festival sets the play down to exotic effect in a Middle East complete with fezzed kings and bare-midriffed belly dancers.

The premise of *Pericles*, reminiscent of the story of Job, is that bad things happen to good people. The odyssey of the always righteous prince of Tyre (Remi Sandri nicely ranging from youthful vigor to droopy apathy and back) starts in Antioch, where he must solve a riddle to win the hand of the king's (Peter J. Macon) daughter or die. Standing under the heads-on-pikes of the past failures, he discovers the answer: The king-daughter tie is incestuous. When the king orders Lord Thaliard (Jeff Cummings) to kill him anyway, Pericles flees ...

... To Tyre where he turns governance over to Helicanus (Michael Morgan), loads ships with provisions and sails on further to save the starving citizens of Tarsus ruled by Cleon and his wife, Dionyza (Ted Barton and Kay Kostopoulos, who later on in the play does a really vicious version of Lady Macbeth). Still pursued by Thaliard, he jumps on a ship and after a storm at sea ...

.. Is washed up ("Enter Pericles, wet") on the shore of Pentopolis where he woos and weds Thaisa (Michelle Morain), the daughter of King Simonides (W. Francis Walters). With the news that Antiochus and his daughter have gone up in flames and that there is civil unrest in Tyre, Pericles, his wife and a faithful nurse board a ship and during a storm at sea ...

... Thaisa (apparently) dies in childbirth and is thrown overboard by superstitious sailors . .

The plot heats up and thickens until Pericles can endure no more evil Fortune and, vowing "never to wash his face or cut his hairs," goes into mute seclusion. Of course the Wheel turns; families are united, bad punished and patience rewarded at the big finish.

Distinctive costumes by Warren Travis also make it easy to keep track of who's-who and where.

Festival actors, directed by Roger DeLaurier, turning in noteworthy performances include Melanie Hermann as Pericles' puregood daughter, Marina, who charms potential brothel patrons into going instead "to hear Vestals sing;" Lisa A. Porter as a wheedling, hissing Bawd; LaKeith Hoskin as the governor of Mytilene and Marina's intended; and Shawn Galloway as the fawning Boult, servant to brothel-owner Pander (Jonathan Haugen).

Fortunately, avoiding possible audience confusion at the comings and goings of what seems like a cast of thousands, Shakespeare provides a chorus, performed roundly by Lynne Soffer, to give periodic plot resumes, interpret happenings and fill time lapses. Color-coded, distinctive costumes by Warren Travis also make it easy to keep track of who's-who and where.

Before he retired to the farm in Stratford, Shakespeare capped his career with four plays of which *Pericles* is the first. Scholars over the centuries weren't able to fit exactly into the categories of History, Comedy or Tragedy. If a play ends happily, it's called Comedy. If everybody dies, it's Tragedy. His dramatized Histories of English kings have come to be accepted as historical fact (attested to by fans of Richard III who to this day try in vain to resurrect that royal's sullied reputation).

Pericles, Cymbeline, The Winter's Tale and *The Tempest* fill the niche called Romance. Taking place in remote places and featuring fairies, visions, supernatural happenings and people who (apparently) do die but are brought back to life, the Romances end more than just happily. They burst out in exuberant joy.

Ignoring questions of how much and which parts of *Pericles* Shakespeare actually wrote, Bay Area Bard idolators, I'm one, can be pleased with the rare opportunity the Festival gives them to see this play performed and so well.

Pericles plays on the California Shakespeare Festival's outdoor stage in Siesta Valley through July 20 and July 30 through August 2.

A nice alternative to summer blockbusters

By Renata Polt

Any other summer you might be excused for overlooking a movie as tiny as *Mondo*, which plays at Berkeley's UC Theatre July 11th to 17th. *This* summer, when all umpteen screens at one of the multiplexes in my neighborhood are taken up by five crash and smash movies — *Con Air, Speed 2et al.* — it just might help save your sanity.

When I say *Mondo* is "tiny," I mean that in every way. The film runs only 80 minutes, and its budget — with no custom-built sets, no stars, no special effects — might pay for the windshield of one vehicle wrecked in any of the summer's other films.

Fact is, I myself was ready to overlook *Mondo*, a film whose description threatens a high kitsch factor, if it weren't that its director, Tony Gatlif, made the spectacular 1993 film *Latcho Drom*, a semi-documentary dealing with Gypsies and their music.

The Algerian-born Gatlif is himself a Gypsy, as is the little boy, Mondo. At least that's what we assume from the voice of the female narrator who tells us that Mondo suddenly appeared in Nice, France, "surely from far away," having seen "many lands." Mondo is played by 11-year-old Ovidiu Balan, a Romanian Gypsy who was on the point of being expelled from France, together with his family, when he was tapped to star in the film.

I myself was ready to overlook *Mondo*, a film whose description threatens a high kitsch factor.

We see Mondo first from the insides of shops and cafes as he passes by on the sidewalk. It's a modern France of supermarkets, malls, and freeways, and the tousle-haired Mondo is the proverbial outsider looking in. With him, we watch candy being made, we eye the glossy produce in markets. Looking exceptionally clean and well-fed for a street kid, Mondo steals only when necessary. Most of the time, people give him food — like the bakery woman, who gives him bread, some of which he then feeds to the

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Temple Gallery hosts Black Star Express Collective's art show

By William Jones

"Temple building Ain't Easy" reads a sign hanging on the living room wall of the home of photographer Keba Konte. Konte's residence serves as the headquarters of The Temple Gallery, host and co-sponsor, along with Pro Arts, of the Black Star Express Artist Collective's Open Studio art show. The Open Studio was held at 2916 Martin Luther King Jr. Way in Berkeley on June 14, 15, 21 and 22.

A 30-year-old native of San Francisco, Keba Konte was originally inspired by his mother who was a photographer whose talent he considers a blessing. He began taking pictures at the age of 15. He attended San Francisco State University, majoring in Black Studies and Photojournalism.

"The Black Star Express Artist Collective started about five years ago when I found myself among a company of artists," says Konte. "Two friends from New York City, performance poets, Ashbedele, and Kalla, came to the Bay Area to visit. I wanted to share their talents (with the community). I called friends; drummers, painters, poets, writers, together for a show at the Coro Gallery (on Divisidero in San Francisco). From that event, we started this collective. The Temple Gallery began in 1995 when I moved to Berkeley and we began doing events here. We kept the same vibe going.

"We are creating as we speak. In the show, `Conversations With Ancient Spirits,' five artists are participating; myself a photographer. Ptah is a sculptor. Zumani is a painter who works in oils and pencil. Daria Niles is a singer and dancer making her debut as a visual artist. Lora Nalbiand is the designer of the interior exhibit. She painted the walls and selected the photographs and paintings."

The artist Ptah discussed his works, the Kemitic (Egyptian) gods Osiris and Isis. "The Gods are constructed rugged for the task they must do: to bless The Temple and all the functions and manifestations which occur here," Says Ptah.

> **'The mission of the gallery is to create a space for young people to create, to draw, and keep a connection to Africa.'**
>
> *— KEBA KONTE*

The artist Zumani is an educational administrator at San Francisco State University. He is the former director of Project Rebound; a program that mentors ex-convicts through challenges they face in pursuing a bachelor's degree. He now teaches art to children, with particular focus on adolescents, to help support them in reassuring their talents and becoming aware of their cultural heritage.

"I had talent for all my life. In the environment I grew up in it was not nurtured. At the age of 32 I had a major crisis that led to an awakening. I needed healing. Art provided that healing. I've studied the gamut of styles. Art has taken me around the world. I gained an understanding of cultures by participating in their creating patterns expressed through their religious ceremonies. My journey has taken me through `isms' to achieve universal understanding."

Daria Niles makes her professional debut as a visual artist. She works with recycled materials such as tree bark and driftwood. The use of recycled materials is a major theme of the show and is used by all exhibitors. Her pieces, collectively titled 'Magic Nations True Visions,' depict Afri-Nouveau mythical stories.

Lora Nalband who has a Ph.D. from Yale University in Art Appreciation and Aesthetics chose the art pieces that hung on the walls. Keba Konte tells of his admiration for her. "She was very in tune with the philosophy of the show and the collections and a unifying force for the exhibiting artists. She helped me to present my work in a way I had never seen it before."

Keba Konte's photography exhibit depicts his 1994 trip to South Africa to witness the inauguration of Nelson Mandela. The images speak of the struggle of the Black population who realize their oneness with God and express their determination to transcend material conditions and circumstances.

"The mission of the Black Star Express Artist Collective is to give support to other artists — moral, material, and spiritual support, especially to young black artists. The mission of the gallery is to create a space for young people to create, to draw, and keep a connection to Africa." Konte says.

Mondo

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gulls on the shore.

There's no denying the kitsch factor in *Mondo*, a film in which bronze statues whisper, and the little boy speculates on whether stars have souls. But hang in there. Ovidiu Balan has a dimpled smile that helps him win over the film's other characters — the panhandler who carries two white doves (and is played by a genuine Nice panhandler, born in Scotland); the fisherman who teaches him the alphabet (played by a Nice gardener); the magician/juggler and his family; and the old woman, Thi Chin (Pierrette Fesch), who takes him in. That dimpled smile will win *you* over, too.

And if it doesn't, there's the exquisite photography (by Eric Guichard). From the large — the ocean, a panorama of Nice — to the minuscule — leaves, insects, stones — Guichard's camera caresses its subjects so lovingly that even on video, which is how I previewed the film, the effect is mesmerizing.

Mondo was adapted from a story by French writer J.M.G. Le Clezio.

Another way to escape the summer's blockbusters is by attending the one-day Silent Film Festival at San Francisco's Castro on July 13th.

Check this: *Four* silent films (with live organ accompaniment): Mary Pickford in Maurice Tourneur's *Poor Little Rich Girl*, shown on Mary's own 35-mm. print; Monta Bell's *Upstage* with Norma Shearer as a rags-to-riches show biz personality; Harold Lloyd in *Doctor Jack*, a 1922 film shown in honor of the Castro's 75th anniversary (do the math); and the great classic, Erich von Stroheim's *The Merry W*... starring John Gilbert an... Murray.

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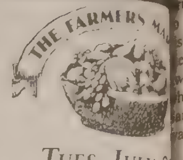
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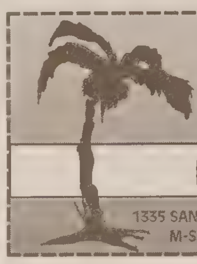
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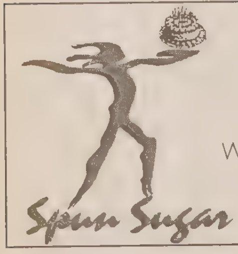
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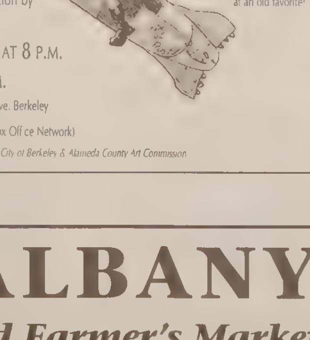
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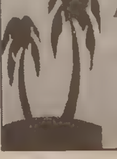
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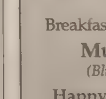

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omoting a WalMart, which will stroy local, personal endeavors.

With regard to televising the uncil meetings: I watched a young ly who is a frequent disruptor of y council meetings preen and sture before the cameras, even ving direction to the camera man. It not important that the council etings are no longer televised. It important that people who wish to eak present their intentions in iting, and that their time be limited that all may be heard. The sruptive pack frequently scream that city is controlled by the hill vellers. Those of us in attendance o live within walking distance to n Pablo get tired of having our time isted by delusions.

The issue is not whether we agree th the Redevelopment Agency and city council. The issue is that we st discuss the issues. La Force has oved himself to be a judicious presentative of us. I frequently write opinions to the city council. La rce takes time to respond in a rsonal letter. It is inconceivable to that Norman La Force engages in y kind of graft or self-serving shenanigans. His whole public life has been to promote the good of society as he sees it, and he see it most clearly.

The issue is that it will cost lots of money we don't have for a recall election which La Force doesn't deserve in any event. Norman La Force is a good citizen who has used his expertise in our service.

Joan Bartulovich
El Cerrito

Don't sign petition

Editor:

The baseless effort to recall El Cerrito City Councilmember La Force, elected in 1995 with the highest vote of any candidate, is distressing. Now there has been talk of a possible effort to recall a second council member elected that same year, again with no basis. Unfortunately, California law allows a small minority of residents to seek an elected official's recall over minor differences of opinion.

What is not minor is the cost — $20,000 per election. Conceivably, we could face five separate, baseless recall elections, at a cost of $100,000 — money needed for essential police and fire services.

Let's stop this mad, wasteful misuse of our tax dollars. Refuse to sign frivolous recall petitions.

Pat Caftel
El Cerrito

Redevelopment misportrayed

Editor:

Let's hope Journal readers do not form their opinions about El Cerrito redevelopment from the misstatements in recent letters. Redevelopment does not divert money from the general fund. Instead, it spends property taxes that would otherwise go back to the state or county, while putting sales tax revenue into our general fund.

In fact, annual sales taxes from redevelopment area projects provide more than 1/4 of our police and five services. Future redevelopment activity has the potential to add hundreds of thousands of dollars in sales tax revenue annually.

Berkeley's downtown merchants tax themselves $185,000 annually to hire staff to bring new businesses to the area. The merchants know they must compete with neighboring cities for new businesses, and that this takes staff and money.

Unfortunately, El Cerrito's business community does not have the resources on its own to revitalize the San Pablo Avenue corridor. Redevelopment helps in the competition to attract new businesses and create a healthy, vibrant commercial district.

Brad Caftel
El Cerrito

Independence Day, II

Editor:

Contra Costa County is celebrating Independence Day 10 days late this year.

July 14 is the day our community declared Independence from cigarette and alcohol billboards within 1,600 feet of schools. After July 14, Contra Costa County no longer has larger than life billboards telling school children that smoking and drinking make them sexy, athletic and cool.

Those who profit from billboards ads which addict children to drugs (nicotine and alcohol) which are illegal for children, have hidden behind two smoke screens.

First, they argue that the cigarette billboard ads are only designed to get adult smokers to switch brands. But recently disclosed tobacco industry documents show that the cancer merchants have been targeting youths to get them to start smoking, and lying about it for decades.

Second, they argue that they have a free speech right to run ads which trick children into starting the deadly habit of smoking. The U.S. Supreme Court recently answered this argument by okaying a Baltimore ban on cigarette and alcohol billboards.

If you don't believe children should get an anti-drug message inside school and a pro-drug message outside school, please ask your city council to ban cigarette and alcohol billboards within 1,600 feet of schools.

Jim Rogers
Contra Costa County Supervisor

Hysteria

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state and federal officials that passing the medical marijuana initiative would effectively legalize marijuana in the state in 1996, they went ahead and passed Proposition 215 by 56 percent. Well, Prop 215 did not legalize marijuana for adults, but maybe it's time for Californians to do so. How can we protect kids from politically motivated laws that release thieves, murderers and rapists while locking away peaceful marijuana smokers? A regulated private sector, with a defined age of consent and zoned to keep outlets away from schools, is much more in the American character than is a prison state.

At a minimum, it is time for our politicians to discard the failed policies of the past and honestly reappraise how we control cannabis use and sales. I am certain that when *The Journal* considers these points, it will decide not to run this deceitful ad again. Moreover, I urge you to ban PDFA propaganda from your pages entirely.

Chris Conrad, Director; Family Council on Drug Awareness
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Dishing the Dish

with The Maven

Remember one of the best-kept restaurant secrets of all time — Chez Goldberg out in the Laurel district on MacArthur? The little bistro with the small prices, and a big-hearted owner, who cooked up hugely satisfying food, is long gone. After a myriad of unsuccessful stabs in that spot, we've got another winner.

The Maven fell into a 7-month-old breakfast and lunch joint with the great name of Full House Cafe. Fred Dozier, who I'm bettin' is from Louisiana, makes his own cornbread and cakes, and smokes his own meats and sausages. The menu is full of interesting selections such as a fab Portobello mushroom hash, cornmeal pancakes and waffles with blueberries, a Hangtown fry oyster and bacon frittata, and Benedicts with with lox (the Hollandaise is real lemony, too.)

Beautiful stuff here. Have you checked out the Laurel recently? It's beginning to happen what with interestingly colorful banners lining MacArthur, and coffeehouses, and lots o' produce and natural food stores. And, of course, the Full House. They're closed Monday and Tuesday and open only until 2 p.m. the rest of the week. Full House is at 3719 Mac. Call 482-2200 for more info ...

Another place you should support is a little restaurant on top of LaSalle in Montclair that has been there for five years, but not many know about. Check out LeBlanc's Louisiana kitchen for a bit of uptown New Orleans fare. The gumbo is the real deal here. These folks are trying real hard. They deliver, too (through a service called Dine One One, which is also worth checking out.) LeBlanc's is located at 6232 LaSalle, 339-2724 ...

Hard to believe but Market Hall, the center of Rockridge's culinary activity, is celebrating its 10th year on College Avenue. Oliveto, with Paul Bertolli at the helm, was recently named by *The Wine Spectator*, one of the top 10 Italian restaurants in the country; and the Pasta Shop hosted an American Institute of Wine & Food dinner last month in which 50 guests enjoyed an evening of pasta comparisons. Congrats to Market Hall for making Rockridge one of the most vital neighborhoods in all the Bay Area ...

Walker's Pie Shop on Solano, in honor of their 33rd (!) anniversary, is going uptown. That is, Kent Rosenblum of Rosenblum Cellars, will be hosting a wine dinner July 14 (Bastille Day) with a five-course French dinner and, naturally, Rosenblum's wines.

Two seatings will be offered — 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $45 which includes wine. The wines will be Domaine Chandon Blanc de Noir, 1996 Edna Valley Chardonnays, and the Rosenblum wines — a 1996 Chateau LaPaws Mourvedre and a '94 Holbrook Mitchell Trio red blend.

Entrees include roasted filet of beef with Cabernet sauce, or poached salmon with Hollandaise. A pate and a tomato bisque will precede the main courses, as will a popular salad consisting of roasted red peppers, bleu cheese and walnuts. The dessert will be chocolate eclairs. For resies, call 525-4647 ...

Solano Grill & Bar will be celebrating summer with berry and dark red fruit sauces. Chef Sam Chen will feature soups, such as pureed squash with cucumber, which has no cream or meat stock.

Unusual species of fresh fish such as black pepper Chilean swordfish with a cherry sauce, New Zealand smoked *Hiramasha* yellowtail, sea trout, sand dabs, and black cod, will also be featured along with French white Burgundies, California Sauvignon Blanc, and Meritages, as well as big Cabernet Sauvignions to go with the fruit sauces. Call 525-8686 for resies ...

Maven: *One who* **thinks** *they know everything about something. Got a tip for The Maven? Fax it to 339-4066.*

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HONDA Accord EX, 1994, automatic, air, CD, moonroof, excellent condition, 1 owner, records. $13,500 465-1377.

IMPULSE turbo, 1986. 4 speed automatic, air, 4 disc, cruise, maintenance history. $3300. 510-465-7421, Peter

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WEIGHT Watchers- Join our Community Meeting starting Friday, July 11th, 9:30 a.m. Albany Library- Conference Room- 1247 Marin

206 Found

CAT, 2- 3 year old male, neutered, white/ gray, Trestle Glen area Very friendly 531-5073

STERLING spoon ring, Moraga/ Estates Sterling bookmark, Leimert bridge 339-3451.

207 Giveaway

URGENTLY need temporary foster homes for homeless animals. Need food, cages, litter, traps Marc 510-444-3204

"BUG", Black DSH male Shots, neuter assistance Loves people, animals, fun and affection 352-7322

DRY firewood, to be cut and hauled 652-5066

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208 Lost

SIAMESE blue point, 1 year, tags, lost approximately June 24, Piedmont Pines area. Reward 530-3972

CAT: Shepherd Canyon area, white, sweet female. Small with black cow- like spots. 482-3435.

"FORTE" female cat. Gray stripped (scabs/ hair lost on face) Glenview, July 1st. 530-9021.

CAT, male, long-haired, gray/ black Tabby, neutered, shy. Near El Cerrito Plaza, June 23. 526-1610.

LOST gray cat, male, blue eyes, 17 lbs, last seen Swainland/ Ruthland. Any information, 510-652-4880.

EDUCATION

302 Childrens Schools & Camps

CIRCLE PRESCHOOL
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DELIVERY part-time, Zoe's Cookies. Need clean DMV and dependable vehicle (wagon or van is best). Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6 a.m. to approximately 10:30 or 11. $7/ hour plus 31½¢ per mile. Leave message at 237-4520.

DENTAL Hygienist, quality preventive practice seeks caring, stable hygienist. Thursdays. Exceptional environment. 601-6500

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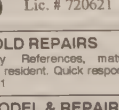

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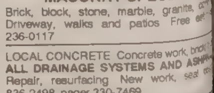

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Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on May 30, 1997.
The Journal June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 1997

Notice of Trustee's Sale: FCL. No. 9607 On **July 17, 1997 at 9:00 AM** of said day **outside the Main Entrance to the public library at #2 Irwin Way**, in the City of Orinda, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California, California Trust Deeds, Inc., as duly appointed trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Contra Costa, State of California and described as follows: Common Address: 1865 Carlson Blvd., Richmond, Ca A.P.N **507-100-004** Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the Power of Sale conferred in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Alice M. Lucy, Trustee of the Alice M. Lucey Revocable Living Trust dated 11-13-91 as trustors, dated January 21, 1997 and recorded January 31, 1997 as Document No. 97 016905 in the office of the Contra Costa County Recorder. The amount owing on the subject obligation is: Principal **$170,000.00** Interest $4,297.74; Late Charges $393.75; Advances $; Attorney's Fees $; Costs $1,364.68; Prepayment Penalty $3,780.00 You are in default under a deed of trust dated January 21, 1997. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceeding against you, you should contact a lawyer Dated: June 18, 1997 **California Trust Deeds, Inc.**, *125 12th Street, Suite 300, Oakland, Ca 94607-4912 (510)444-3200 Herb Leibowitz, Vice President* **C258246** 6/26, 7/3, 7/10 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3367
The Name of the Business:
Robin's Nest Cleaning Service, 1805 Marlesta Court #B, Pinole, CA 94564
is registered by the following owners:
Robin Allen, 1805 Marlesta Court #B, Pinole, CA 94564
Letitia Monique Flaherty, 301 Del Monte, Pinole, CA 94564
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 2, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 2, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3425
The Name of the Business:
Super Cleaning Services, 4940 Bridle Way, Antioch, CA 94509
is registered by the following owner:
Theresa Louie, 4940 Bridle Way, Antioch, CA 94509
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 4, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 4, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3692
The Name of the Business:
Youth Access Network, 543 So. 24th St., Richmond, CA 94804 P.O. Box 1745, El Cerrito, CA 94530
Is registered by the following owners:
Jacqueline Davis, 3611 Chanslor, Richmond, CA 94805
Chanese Jackson, 543 So. 24th Street, Richmond, CA 94804
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 16, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 16, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3340
The Name of the Business:
Winks Swim and Triathlon Shop, 785 G-3 Oak Grove Rd., Concord, CA 94518.
Is registered by the following owner:
Kira McDonough, 2414 Walnut Blvd., Walnut Creek, CA 94596
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 1, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on May 30, 1997
The Journal June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3537
The Names of the Businesses.
1) Equity Advantage Services 2) Gail's Desk, 2246 Willow Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565
Are registered by the following owner:
Gail Lyn Cavett, 2246 Willow Avenue, Pitts-

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burg, CA 94565
Charlemagne Wui Cavett, 2246 Willow Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife
The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3319
The Name of the Business
Chinese Health Center, 321 Hartz Avenue #8, Danville, CA 94526
Is registered by the following owners.
Jerry Gan, 6944 Doreen Ct., Dublin, CA 94568
Lotus Gan, 6944 Doreen Ct., Dublin, CA 94568
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife
The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on May 29, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on May 29, 1997
The Journal June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3448
The Name of the Business
The Dent Guys, 564 Sherree Dr., Martinez, CA 94553
is registered by the following owner:
William Joseph Castro, Jr., 564 Sherree Dr., Martinez, CA 94553
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 4, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 4, 1997.
The Journal June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3279
The Name of the Business.
The Moneypit Investment Club, 4484 Leatherwood Ct., Concord, CA 94521
is registered by the following owners:
Richard S. Chapman, 4484 Leatherwood Ct., Concord, 94521.
John Wright, 31 Ida Ct., Baypoint
Melissa McLawhon, 3850 Somerset Ave., Castro Valley, 94546
Leta Roberts, P.O Box 2206, Alameda, CA 94501
Marlene Liranzo, 2515 Titan Way, Castro Valley, CA 94546
Ricardo Lacayo, 850 Martin Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577
John Wurth, 3363 Betty Lane, Lafayette, CA 94549
Chuck Lyman, 810 Ketch Ct., Rodeo, CA 94572
Doug Atwater, 25777 Bunker Hill, Hayward, CA 94542
Charles Grimsley, 5691 Woodrose Way, Livermore, CA 94550
Nordan Byers, 4086 Walnut Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94566
Earl Lee, 3201 Suter St., #4, Oakland, CA 94602
Scott Gentile, 829 Parkway Dr., Martinez, CA 94553.
Charlotte Chapman, 2780 Orange Ave., #6, Torrance, CA 90501
Denise Regier, 633 Joaquin St., Manteca, CA 95337
Mary Costa, 432 Norvell St., El Cerrito, CA 94530
Mike Escoto, 1239 N Vasco Rd., Livermore, CA 94550
Jorge Rueda, 2848 Killorney Rd., San Pablo, CA 94806
Sergio Guevara, 2848 Killorney Rd., San Pablo, CA 94806
Irene Wurth, 3363 Betty Lane, Lafayette, CA 94549
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on May 28, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on May 28, 1997
The Journal June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 1997

TTD No.: 22067-07 Loan No.: 53377678F Notice Of Trustee's Sale You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust, Dated 3/24/94 Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. On **7/23/97** at **9:45 AM**, Title Trust Deed Service Company, A California Corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 3/31/94, as Instrument No. 94 089672 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Contra Costa County, State of California, executed by Reid A. Ochs And Alexandra E. Ochs, husband and wife, Will Sell At Public Auction To Highest Bidder For Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at **The North Side Of The City Hall, 1666 North Main Street, Walnut Creek, California** All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **APN #435 222 021 6** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2197 Pyramid Drive, Richmond, Ca. 94803 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is **$153,543.52**. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Date: 7-3-97 **Title Trust Deed Service Company, A California Corporation, As Trustee** Kelli J. Espinoza, Authorized Signature Address: 16633 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1000, Encino, California 91436 Phone (818)986-8966 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing **C259079** 7/3, 7/10, 7/17 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 1997

TTD No.: 22013-07 Loan No.: 2455988 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 2/17/93 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **7/24/97** at **9:45 AM**, TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 2/24/93, as Instrument No. 93 47281, in book 18299, page 965, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Contra Costa County, State of California, executed by Sherry Boney, a married woman, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at **The North Side Of The City Hall, 1666 North Main Street, Walnut Creek, California** All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **APN #534 201 028** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 652 Sth Street, Richmond, Ca. 94801 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is **$94,179.71**. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Date: 6-27-97 **Title Trust Deed Service Company,** a California Corporation, as Trustee, Kelli J. Espinoza, Authorized Signature, Address: 16633 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1000, Encino, California 91436 Phone (818)986-8966 We are

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assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing **C259149** 7-3/10/17 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3442
The Name of the Business
Jaybird Press, 98 Sky Ranch Lane, Pleasant Hill, 94523
is registered by the following owner:
James W. Harding, 98 Sky Ranch Lane, Pleasant Hill, 94523
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above in March 1995
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 4, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3443
The Name of the Business
M & M Moving Supplies, 3512 Clayton Rd., Concord, 94520
is registered by the following owners:
Mark Douglas Wetsch, 139 Hillcrest Ave., Pittsburg, 94565
Mia Virginia Nunez, 139 Hillcrest Ave., Pittsburg, 94565
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 4, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 4, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3459
The Name of the Business
Dancing Rabbit Productions, 1840 Camino Estrada, Concord, CA 94521
is registered by the following owner:
Brad L. Hodges, 1840 Camino Estrada, Concord, CA 94521
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on May 25, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 5, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 97-3523
The Names of the Businesses
1) Technology Optimization Partners, 2) Technoherds, 3440 Hamlin Rd., Lafayette, CA 94549
Are registered by the following owner:
Christopher A. Smith, 3440 Hamlin Rd., Lafayette, 94549
Mary Smith, 3440 Hamlin Rd., Lafayette, 94549
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 6, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 6, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3500
The Name of the Business
Giorgio General Building, P.O Box 485, Clayton, CA 94517 1547 Ohara Ct., Clayton, CA 94517
Is registered by the following owners:
Jeff Fosbery, P.O Box 485, Clayton, CA 94517. 1547 Ohara Ct., Clayton, CA 94517
Monica Fosbery, P.O Box 485, Clayton, CA 94517 1547 Ohara Ct., Clayton, CA 94517
This business is conducted by a Individuals - Husband and Wife
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 6, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 6, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3536
The Name of the Business
R & R Computer Services, 2129 Freeman Court, Antioch, CA 94509
Is registered by the following owners
Ryan Melander, 4155 Tulare Ct., Antioch, CA 94509
Randy Smith,2129 Freeman Ct., Antioch, CA 94509
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3548
The Name of the Business.
"Me-Ow-Trageous" Kitty Cat Creations, 4832 Highlands Way, Antioch, CA 94509
Is registered by the following owner
Julie Carner Atkinson, 4832 Highlands Way, Antioch, CA 94509
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3718
The Names of the Businesses
1) Come As You Are Ministries 2) Just Jesus In Us, 4317 Thornhill Pl., Pittsburg, CA 94565
Are registered by the following owner
Come As You Are Ministries, Pittsburg, CA 94565
This business is conducted by a Corporation
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on November 19, 1992
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 17, 1997
The Journal July 3, 10, 17, 24, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3531
The Name of the Business
CDMA Network Solutions, 2815 Bowlin Avenue, San Ramon, CA 94583
is registered by the following owner:
Belinda Payne - Fuerter, 2815 Bowlin Avenue, San Ramon, 94583
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3874
The Name of the Business
Furniture Tyme, 291 El Portal Shop Center, San Pablo, CA 94806
Is registered by the following owners:
Bobby Goiriz, 4112 Singing Tree Way, Antelope, CA 95843
Kayvan Shahbazian, 2705 Range Ave #204, Santa Rosa, CA 94503
This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 24, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 24, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3516
The Names of the Businesses
1) Judy Arzaga Marketing Company 2) Business 2 Business 3) Lunch a la Fax 4) Business University 5) Marketing Univesity 6) VP of Marketing, 459 Donner Way, San Ramon, CA 94583
Are registered by the following owner:
Rich Arzaga Marketing Company, Inc., 459 Donner Way, San Ramon, CA 94583 California
This business is conducted by a Corporation
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 6, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 6, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3541
The Name of the Business.
Grecian Spotlight, Greek T.V., 3410 Deerpark Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
is registered by the following owners:
Dimitri Carapanos, 3410 Deerpark Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
Louis Vitalis, 9852 Broadmoor Drive, San Ramon, CA 94583
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.
The registrant commenced to transact business

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under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997.
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3542
The Name of the Business:
Metropolis Real Estate Investments, 3410 Deerpark Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
is registered by the following owner:
Dimitri Carapanos, 3410 Deerpark Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
This business is conducted by an Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
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INVITATION TO BID

The City of Albany
invites bids from qualified Contractors for the
1977 SOLANO AVENUE
TREE PRUNING PROJECT
(Contract No 97-15)

LOCATION OF WORK Solano Avenue, San Pablo Avenue, Stannage Avenue, Jackson Street and Madison Street, Albany, California.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The project involves the tree pruning of one hundred fifty-one (151) trees on Solano Avenue, San Pablo Avenue, Stannage Avenue, Jackson Street and Madison Street. Attached is the list of trees to be pruned for this project. Tree pruning shall be done in accordance with the attached City of Albany "Pruning Specifications for Mature Trees." The contractor shall submit to the City, before starting the project, a detailed tree pruning schedule.

BID REQUIREMENTS. Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Albany in City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, California, **until 2:00 p.m. July 18, 1997**, at which time bids will be opened by the City Clerk in the Council Chambers. Bids received after this time and oral, telephonic and facsimile transmission bids will not be accepted. ***Bids must be submitted on a Bidder's Proposal form supplied by the City***

PRE-BID WALK THROUGH: A pre-bid walk-through of the project on Solano Avenue San Pablo Avenue, Stannage Avenue, Jackson Street and Madison Street, Albany, California is recommended

BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS Specifications, bidding and contract documents may be obtained on or after Wednesday, July 9, 1997 at: Albany City Hall, Community Development & Environmental Resources Department, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA 94706 For inquiries, call (510)528-5760

NONDISCRIMINATION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION The City of Albany will affirmatively ensure that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and that no bidder will be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, or national origin in consideration of a contract award or in subcontracts entered into by the successful bidder

CITY OF ALBANY
BY: JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ
City Clerk
Date: July 1, 1997
The Journal July 10, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3567
The Name of the Business
The Ceramix Gallery, 1 Del Cerro, Pittsburg, CA 94565
Is registered by the following owner
Elizabeth Crossett, 1 Del Cerro, Pittsburg, CA 94565
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 13 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 13, 1997
The Journal July 10, 17, 24, 31, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3606
The Name of the Business
Mobile Meetings, 1212 Chelsea Ct., Antioch, CA 94509
Is registered by the following owner
Rebecca Crowder, 1212 Chelsea Ct., Antioch, CA 94509
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 11 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 11, 1997
The Journal July 10, 17, 24, 31, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3354
The Name of the Business
Ci Marketing, 3000 Citrus Circle, Suite 101, Walnut Creek, CA 94596
is registered by the following owner:
Yuyon Kim, 4485 Sheepberry Ct., Concord, CA 94521
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 9, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 9, 1997
The Journal July 10, 17, 24, 31, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3676
The Name of the Business
Off The Curb Communications, 748 Wellesley Ave., Kensington, CA 94708
is registered by the following owner:
Cynthia A. MacKenzie, 748 Wellesley Ave., Kensington, CA 94708
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 1, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 16, 1997
The Journal July 10, 17, 24, 31, 1997

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No 97-3558
The Name of the Business
Bottletraders, 398 Lighthouse, Hercules, CA 94547
is registered by the following owner
Erik Esakson 398 Lighthouse, Hercules, CA 94547
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on June 10, 1997
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on June 10, 1997
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TEACH YOUR KIDS TO BE FIREFIGHTERS.
Taking these extra steps can help ensure your family's safety against a fire.
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Mandatory retirement has hardly slowed this active woman

Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser

Gertrude Khuner, with a degree in physical education, teaches dancing: folk, country-western, square and other steps and is also a docent in the Oakland Museum's Natural Science section. But that's not all. She also cares for her two young grandchildren three afternoons a week, swims at least three mornings a week, and walks the hills surrounding her Berkeley home for exercise and pleasure.

Gertrude Khuner is an octogenarian.

That last, she thinks is the least important part of what she is and does. She sees nothing unusual in her activities, and enjoys every moment of her life. A small, spare woman, she exudes energy, is interested in everything and takes part in everything she does with great gusto. At the time of our interview she was unfazed by all the activity going on around us: grandchildren watching TV (only at grandma's house, she says), her housecleaning woman who had to come at this unusual hour because of other commitments, and the students who live upstairs dashing in and out.

It is the dancing that she especially loves. She used to teach in the Berkeley schools, but had to take a mandatory retirement at 65. When someone asked her to volunteer at a senior group that was meeting at a church, but was sponsored by the city, "that became my second career." She stayed with the group as it moved into the senior center, and stayed with the Center when they moved into the new building on Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. She expanded her classes, and then began to teach for Vista College and Diablo Valley College.

"I was very busy," she says, "With a very full program, teaching in Oakland and with classes all over. It was very exciting." And then, to her great joy she began to be asked to come back to teaching in the schools. There was special funding available, and her program was selected, "doing the same thing I had been doing before my retirement: physical education, movement classes and folk dance."

She speaks of other things she has done. She was trained as a Pregnancy Counselor, and taught at the Women's Health Collective, an organization that had branched out from the free clinic. She worked with Planned Parenthood, also, and did out patient counciling at Kaiser. "Finally," she says, "teaching made more demands on me and I had to drop Planned Parenthood and Kaiser." But she stayed with the Collective, working there on Saturday mornings.

Thinking she would have nothing but free time after her mandatory retirement, she enrolled in the study of ecology at the Oakland Museum Natural Science section. She had a semester of general ecology and one in California ecology, which she found most interesting. Coming from New York she had had no experience with any kind of plant or bird or nature. "I couldn't identify birds and flowers. I was just too old. But I could deal in concepts." She became a docent at the Museum. "I enjoyed that so much. It was delightful to impart the knowledge I had learned to those who came to the museum." And she adds, "I am always amazed at natural laws, laws of survival, etc. sznd the way they occur in nature."

Born in New York, Khuner earned her Masters at Columbia, and was in teaching when she first came here with her husband, a musician who was originally from Vienna. He was on tour and playing in San Francisco when things became restrictive in Vienna. So he stayed, and never returned to Vienna. He thought Berkeley was the best place in the world, so they came out here, where their four children (two boys, two girls) were born.

Khuner, who finished her Masters at San Francisco State, went back to teaching when her youngest was about 10, although she had never really stopped. "I was always teaching someplace," she remembers. She worked at the Jewish Community Center in Berkeley, worked with a community group sponsored by Vista College at the Presbyterian church, taught at the South Berkeley Senior Center and the North Berkeley Senior Center. When, in later years, the Community College discontinued the program, the Berkeley Adult School picked it up and carried it on at North Berkeley.

She has also taught at Ashkenaz ("I was one of the founders of that") and has danced there. "I am always dancing, myself," she says, adding that she has been doing a lot of Scottish dancing.

She speaks proudly of her children, for whom she started dance groups in her home when they were youngsters. The groups are still together today, she adds. Her son Jon athan is the director of the Berkeley Opera, which is now at the Julia Morgan Theater. The members of the opera who came to her home to rehears in a large, beautiful studio behind her living room, are working on "Riot Grrrl On Mars" an updated version of the Opera "Girl From Algiers," which will be playing at the Julia Morgan from July 12 through July 27.

Son Elliot is a photographer and also taught at Ashkenaz. Daughter Kathy graduated in psychology, became a sculptor, and is now working, in school and interning. And daughter Margo is working for a non-profit agency in San Francisco.

She took me on a tour of her very Berkeley home, particularly to see the studio. This, as noted, is a very large room, with a piano at one end and very little other furniture. It is ideal for dancing, and is where she had her teen aged groups when her children were young.

She speaks again of her husband, his music, and his travels with his quartet. And she speaks of a Folk Dance Camp she attends every summer. They dance from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. And the people who attend the camp, usually teachers, bring folk dances from their own ethnic backgrounds, which she enjoys very much, particularly those from Romania and Bulgaria.

(I mentioned that Ger... Khuner is a small, spare ... A reader recently reprim... me for mentioning that th... person I spoke of was sli... saying that it was unnece... add that, and would make ... people feel upset. I agree ... in this case I feel that the ... description is very much ... of what Gertrude Khuner ... what makes her tick. I ap... in advance if anyone take... offense).

I was energized by Kh... and I can see that she wo... make a wonderful dance ... instructor. Indeed, I inten... attend at least one of clas... try it myself.

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Thank you, Ruth Meni... for suggesting Gertrude K... to me. You can see how m... enjoyed interviewing her.

And, as always, in inv... of you to give me your suggestions: interesting p... events, activities, organi... etc. Please write to me at ... Pierce St., #443, Albany, ... 94706 or call 525-4585. ... email is crgenser@aol.co...

Goings

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religious teachings and rituals at the International House Home Room, 2299 Piedmont Ave., Berkeley; 642-9460; $2 for the general public.

July 12

You Are History; 2 p.m.; the Abraham Lincoln Brigade's return to Spain, part of the Saturday afternoon film series on social justice issues; Redwood Gardens, 2951 Derby, Berkeley.

July 13

Buddhism: Map to Enlightenment: Stages of Development on the Buddhist Path; 6 - 7 p.m.; Leslie Bradburn will outline the main stages of the path and discuss their relevance for us today; Tibetan Nyingma Institute, 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley; 843-6812

Women and Spiritual Travel Open House; 6 - 8 p.m.; find out what spiritual travel is, and discover how to use your unique intuitive abilities you have as a woman; 2018 Allston Way, downtown Berkeley, one block from Shattuck Avenue BART; 644-1600.

July 17

Where Women Have No Doctor: A Health Guide for Women; 7 p.m.; Jane Maxwell, co-author of *Where There Is No Doctor* and *Where Women Have No Doctor*, and Sara Shanon, executive director of the Hesperian Foundation, lead a discussion on women's health and the innovative process of creating this culturally diverse tool for community empowerment through health education; Northbrae Community Church, 1741 The Alameda, one block south of Solano Avenue, Berkeley; 524-4050.

Ongoing

Discussion Group for Children of Holocaust Survivors; 6:30 - 8 p.m.; an eight week discussion group, topics include the experience and legacy of growing up in a survivor family, thoughts and feelings about the Holocaust, talking with family members about the Holocaust, Jewish identity and other topics of interest to the group; through August 18; Jewish Family & Children's Services of the East Bay, 2484 Shattuck Ave., Suite 210, Berkeley; advanced registration required, 704-7475, Ms. Verdoner; $10.

Turning Point Career Center

July 10; 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.; Network from where you are to where you want to be; $5 for non-members.

July 15; 1:30 p.m.; free job hunter's orientation.

July 15; noon - 1 p.m.; Administering Programs for the Elderly, Mary Francis Giammona of Mercy Retirement and Care Center, guest speaker; $3.

July 15; 7 - 8 p.m.; July 17; 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.; Targeting Job Objectives That Work for You.

University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 848-6375.

Literary Events

Black Oak Books

July 10; 7:30 p.m.; Jeff Yang, Dina Gan and Terry Hong: *Eastern Standard Time: A Guide to Asian Influence on American Culture from Astro Boy to Zen Buddhism*

July 13; 7:30 p.m.; Robert H. Hopcke signs *There Are No Accidents: Synchronicity and the Stories of Our Lives.*

July 15; 7:30 p.m.; Martin Lee, *The Beast Reawakens*

July 16; 7:30 p.m.; Steve Lopez, *The Sunday Macaroni Club*

July 17; 7:30 p.m.; Martin Cruz Smith, *Rose*

1491 Shattuck Avenue at Vine, Berkeley; 486-0698

Gaia Bookstore and Community Center

July 10; 7 p.m.; Lama Surya Das, *Awakening the Buddha Within: Eight Steps to Enlightenment*

July 11; 7:30 p.m.; Phil Cousineau, *Soul Moments*

July 14; 7:30 p.m.; Suze Orman, *The 9 Steps to Financial Freedom: Practical and Spiritual Ways to Stop Worrying*

July 16; 7:30 p.m.; Dennis Gertsen, *Are You Getting Enlightened or Losing Your Mind?: A Spiritual Program for Mental Fitness*

July 17; 7:30 p.m.; Harriet Rubin; *The Princessa: Machiavelli for Women*

1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA; all events $3.

Easy Going Travel Shop & Bookstore

July 10; 7:30 p.m.; Mark Wilson lecture slide presentation on Hong Kong & Macao: from Colonial Outposts to China's New Showcase.

July 17; 7:30 p.m.; *Traveler's Tales Paris*, Editor Larry Habeggar and authors read form this collection of award-winning travel literature.

1385 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 843-3533.

La Peña Cultural Center

Open Mic Poetry in the cafe has new summer hours, Wednesdays beginning at 8 p.m. except for Nina and Diana's workshops every third Wednesday.

3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 849-2568.

Meetings

July 15

American Schizophrenia Association; 7 - 8:45 p.m.; Alliance for the Mentally Ill support group for families of children with mental illness; Claremont Branch Berkeley Library Meeting Room, Ashby and Benvenue; 841-8361.

Ongoing

East Bay Genealogical Society; 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of every month; every meeting is preceded by an hour (9 a.m - 10 a.m.) of casual "drop in" meeting for members and guests who are encouraged to bring problems to the forum for help and possible solutions: Latter Day Saints Interstake Center, 4798 Lincoln Ave., Oakland, Room 30; 635-6692.

TOPS; 7:15 - 8:30; Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) meets every Thursday evening; First Baptist Church, Richmond, Solano below Arlington; Betty Coates, 235-0490 for more information.

Gray Panthers

All July meetings tentative due to pending office move. Check with the Gray Panther Office or Committee Head.

1325 Grant St., Berkeley 527-3790

Avatar Metaphysical Toastmasters; 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.; public speaking skills and metaphysics come together; ongoing meetings first and third Thursdays; 2515 Hillegass Ave., Berkeley; 848-6510.

Music

July 13

Melothesia; 7:30 p.m.; early music ensemble from Taiwan joined by Eric Dorset, baroque violin, and Katherine Heater, harpsichord, for a concert of music by Telemann, Bach and Vivaldi; St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 1501 Washington Ave.; 841-5876; $12/7.

July 13

Berkeley Art Center; Ron Galen, guitarist, performs music by Villa-Lobos, Pixinguinha and others; 1275 Walnut St. between Rose and Eunice in Live Oak Park; 644-6893.

Ashkenaz

July 11; Rebecca Riots, plus Megan McElroy; $10

July 12; Reggae Angels with Jah Light Music; $12

Blake's

July 10; 9:30 p.m.; The JFK & Groove Junkies; $4

July 11; 9:30 p.m.; Dig with Moe's Kitchen; HipBop/Soul/Jazz; $5

July 12; 9:30 p.m.; tang!; funk/soul/rock; $5

July 13; 10 p.m.; Ginko; rock; $2

July 14; 9:30 p.m.; the Blue Monday Jam; $3

July 15; 9:30 p.m.; the Dead Experience $3

July 16; 9:30 p.m.; Atomic Wednesday; $4

July 17; 9:30 p.m.; The JFK & Groove Junkies; $4

2367 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley; 848-0886

Caribbean Spice

July 12; 10 p.m.; "African Night" special guest DJs

July 15; 8 p.m.; "Live! Cajun/Zydeco Dancing" with Crawdaddy

1920 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley; 843-3035.

Jupiter

July 11; 6 p.m.; Slydenmike; 8:30 p.m.; Broun Fellini's

July 12; 8:30 p.m.; Lengua

July 13; 3:30 p.m.; Joel Harrison trio

July 16; 6 p.m.; Baguette Quartet; 9 p.m.; Fillibuster

2181 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley; (510) THE-TAPS; no cover.

La Pena Cultural Center

July 10; 8 p.m.; Damien Masterson, harmonica master; $7

July 11; 8:30 p.m.; Arauco; $7

July 12; 8 p.m.; Organic Creations; $7

July 13; 6:30 p.m.; Mixing it up: a coming out party for Quilombo; $3 - $10.

3105 Shattuck Ave; Berkeley 849-2568.

Outdoors

July 10

Grizzly Peak Fly Fishers; 7 p.m.; fly tying class with Jeff Yamagata, everyone is invited, so bring your fly tying gear to the Kensington Youth Hut, 59 Arlington Ave.; 526-2445 for details.

Backcountry Kitchen Essentials; 7 p.m.; Adventures Beyond Director Ken Hanley presents the basics of cooking in the outdoors; REI Berkeley, 1338 San Pablo Ave.; 527-1094

July 12

Gardening Classes; 10 a.m. - noon; starting your own gardening business part 1: getting your business going, with Jessie West, local garden consultant; The Ecology Center, 2530 San Pablo Ave. at Blake, Berkeley; 548-2220; $10.

July 13

University Avenue Gardeners; 9 - 11 a.m.; work with the beautiful natives on the Avenue's newly planted medians, grub around in the dirt, swap plant knowledge; bring gloves and weeding tools, or borrow them for the morning; a lane of traffic will be closed, and safety vests will be supplied; starting at Erna P. Harris Court, 1330 University Ave. between Ninth and Tenth Streets.

Architectural Walking Tour: Mansions of Thousand Oaks; 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.; join historian Mark Wilson on a walking tour of North Berkeley, explore a Julia Morgan Tudor-Revival residence and a Spanish-Colonial style villa modeled on the Alhambra in Spain; $12 includes refreshments afterward at Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore, 1385 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 843-6725.

July 17

John Stienstra; outdoors editor of the Examiner and Foghorn Press guidebook author offers Tips on Hiking and Camping in California with a slide show presentation; REI Berkeley; 1338 San Pablo Ave., 527-4140.

Ongoing

Holt Planetarium

"Saturday Night Stargazing," ongoing. See the moon, planets, star clusters and galaxies through astronomical telescopes, weather permitting. At the Lawrence Hall of Science Plaza. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Free. Lawrence Hall of Science, University of California, Centennial Drive, Berkeley; 642-5132.

Tilden Regional Park; Botanical Garden Tours; 2 p.m.; guided docent tours of the gardens. Call ahead to confirm tour is on for the day. Saturday and Sunday; 841-8732.

UC Botanical Garden Tours; Saturday and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Meet at the Tour Orientation Center for a free docent tour; Free unless otherwise noted. Daily, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Botanical Garden, Centennial Drive, behind Memorial Stadium, a mile below Lawrence Hall of Science; 642-...

Religion

July 13

Berkeley Fellowship of U... Universalists; 10:30 a.m.; "... the Untouchable: A Sacrament... ence" with speaker Jeremy ... MFCC. Children are welcom... service, childcare is also availa... Cedar St. (at Bonita), Berke... 4824.

Christian Science Service ... "Sacrament;" Sunday School ... people; Second Church of Ch... entist, 1521 Spruce St., Berke... 2047.

Ongoing

Midweek Bible Study ... Meeting; 7 p.m. every Friday ... Baptist Church; everyone is w... feel free to call Prayer Team ... requests, concerns shall be trea... confidence and you shall be pr... 233-8867.

Ahavat Yisreal; 8:45, Tor... 9:15 a.m. weekly Shabbat ... new traditional synagogue ... ley, also special and holiday ... Masonic Hall, 897 Colusa Av... 9003.

Theater/Dance/Film

July 16

Chelean Film: *El Ch... Nahueltoro*; 8:30 p.m.; Un... mayores exitos del cine Chile... un profundo sentido social ... asombrosa autenticidad, el fi... en tela juicio a la justicia Chi... reforma a un vago, asesino, p... llevarlo al patibulo; $3 - $10. ... Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck ... Berkeley; 849-9397

"Porgy;" 8 p.m. Thursday, ... Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sunday ... through July 12; the exciting ... was a precursor to the Ger... "Porgy and Bess;" Black Re... Theater Group, 3201 Adeline ... keley; 652-2120 for more info...

"First Time;" written an... formed by Andrea Mock, dire... Giovanni Rodriquez, set in th... '70's is a delicious stew of ... teenage angst and humor in the ... growing up in the Bible Belt ... fornia, the great Central San ... Valley; The Speakeasy Theate... pany, 2016 Seventh Street, Be... TIK-4100; Fridays and Sa... through July 19; $7.

V & W Patio Door & Window Company

BUSINESS FOCUS

by Laura Fischer

V & W Patio Door & Window Company is a family owned business established in 1958. Owners Jerry, John and Anthy Victor grew up in the business as a small window supplier for tract homes. They gradually took over the retail side of it and purchased the company in 1979.

V & W offers wood, vinyl and aluminum products from various manufacturers such as Marvin, Velux, Milgard and Andersen, providing supplies and installation of patio doors and windows.

"Believe it or not, there are a lot of products to choose from, but we believe we carry the best in quality, selection, options and quality control," says Victor. "Some of the brands are not the cheapest in the industry, but we sell quality at a very competitive price."

Many of the problems they see and solve deal with energy efficiency. Either existing windows are drafty and leaking or the homeowner wishes to update and modernize their windows and doors.

V & W also offers on site visits for contractors and owner/builders. They deliver to the site and can provide short time storage with a complete service technician for repairs and adjustments.

"We like to treat customers as we like to be treated when we shop for products or services," says Victor. "My young son summed up our business philosophy best when he told me, "Daddy, you're not the boss, the customer is."

V&W Patio Door & Window is located at 2815 7th Street, Berkeley. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 to 5, Saturday, 10 to 3. (Showroom only). For further information please call 843-2330.

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some ways putting your house he market is like any event to ch you are inviting guests. You t to be ready for them. If people e to find you taking party fix- out of your car, they're going onder if they've come too early n the wrong day.

he same thing happens to agents buyers when they get to a house is a mess or one where painters till painting, cleaners still clean- "Whoops, they weren't expect- ne," they think or "No one ever anything here until today."

When your house is truly ready e sold, buyers will know it, feel it as they come inside. They are likely to believe, rightly or not, that your house has always been fussed over and is therefore a good house to consider buying.

So take your time getting your house ready. And don't let a buyer see it until you are done with all your preparations.

Start by making a list of things you think you might do to make your property more saleable. Look carefully at every part of your property, talk at length with your agent about preparing, showing, timing. Go over your budget, get bids for upgrades and repairs, consider how long it may take to do things. Think carefully before you decide what to do.

Clean and spare should be at the top of your list. You want to simplify, remove furniture, paintings, stuff. We tell sellers that when they have taken so many of their belongings out of the house that it looks uncomfortably bare to them, they're probably "there."

Make your house as clean as it may never have been before. Wash every painted surface, light fixture, shower stall, the front of the fireplace. Have the windows professionally washed so they won't look cloudy or streaky in a week. Have the drapes and carpets cleaned. Caulk around tubs and sinks.

If you only have money for one, fairly large cosmetic improvement, do floors. Wax wood floors; refinish them if you can, make them look great. Nothing compares.

Do everything you can to show that the basic systems of your house are up and running and won't need any immediate attention from the buyer. Have your furnace serviced by a local reputable furnace company. The serviceman will write down what he saw, what he did and you can give this to the buyer.

Even if your roof is relatively young and watertight, it's a good idea to have a roofer renew the roofing compound around seams and vents, to check the sheet metal and to write down what he did. Clean the gutters, also the chimney; get descriptive receipts.

Check your hot water heater. If it's rusted, consider replacing it and at the same time have it strapped at the top and bottom, as state law now requires. Check your smoke detectors; make sure you have enough and that they're working. Make sure your sump pump operates well.

Replace broken window glass. Try every door in the house, basement and garage to see if it opens and closes securely without scraping or squeaks. Cabinet doors should latch easily.

The front-door key will be used by agents. Does it turn easily? The garage-door opener needs to work, too. Windows that open smoothly are important to many people. Fix those broken ropes and the hardware; while you're at it, scrape off

See TARPOFF on page 23

Fixed rates up; ARM, COFI steady

On July 3 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's (Freddie Mac) Primary Mortgage Market Survey showed that the nationwide average for the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage for the week rose 4 basis points to 7.62 percent from last week's average of 7.58 percent.

A the end of the first week of July 1996, the 30-year fixed rate mortgage stood at 8.14 percent.

The average start rate for the one-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) remained unchanged at 5.67 percent.

This week's average for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option in the refinance market, is 7.15 percent, up a single basis point from last week's average of 7.14 percent.

"The economy is currently growing at a moderate pace as evidenced by the Federal Reserve's decision to leave short-term rates at their current levels and the employment figures released (Thursday) morning," said Freddie Mac Deputy Chief Economist Frank Nothaft.

"This alleviates concerns of an overheated market and reduces pressure on interest rates. As a matter of fact, we may even see rates drop back to 7.5 percent in light of the employment figures."

This year Freddie Mac cel-

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28 MASONIC PLACE	ROCKRIDGE	3BD/2+BA	$479,000	MICHAEL THOMPSON
6574 SHEPHERD CANYON	OAKLAND	3BD/2.5BA	$454,950	DONNA CONROY
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1289 HOLMAN RD.	OAKLAND	3BD/2BA	$309,000	DIAN HYMER
4628 STAUFFER PL.	REDWOOD HTS	3BD/2BA	$269,500	ADRIANA GIACOMELLI
4467 MORAGA AVE.	PIEDMONT	3+BD/2BA	$255,000	VICKY FAULK
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Bright contemp with vaulted ceilings. Bask in sun on deck off living room. Creekside setting. Huge rec & family room. Fenced front garden w/lawn level in from 2-car gar. 2BD/2BA Ruby Ng/Karen Lum

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1020 MASONIC	ALBANY	2BR/1BA	$188,000	HENRY CHANG
725 PIERCE	ALBANY	2BR/1BA	$179,000	DIANE VERDUCCI
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Bright and charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath home in a great Albany location. Formal dining, wood floors, lovely private garden.

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You must see this one. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, stone fireplace, large yard with fruit trees. Great use of stone, wood and plaster to create fairy tale house.

SUNFILLED CENTRAL BERKELEY BUNGALOW.....$209,900
Totally renovated in & out! Spacious, sunlit custom-built kitchen with breakfast area, remodeled bath with Roman bath & shower combo, white oak floors throughout, lovely deck & garden. 2BR, 1BA. Easy walk to BART & shopping.

A LITTLE SLICE O' HEAVEN.....$189,000
Victorian/Craftsman with 3BR, immense basement, deep sunny yard and lots of natural woodwork. Caring and cooperative block. Excellent condition, seismic retrofit. Don't dally!

SPACIOUS ALBANY CONDO.....$178,000
Unusually large 3BR/2BA condo with fireplace in living room. Contemporary style with balcony. Close to shopping, restaurants and transportation. Albany schools, of course!

DECORATOR PERFECT CONDO IN BERKELEY.....$99,000
JUST LISTED! Darling & sunny upper unit in beautifully maintained 4 unit Colonial Revival style building on a tree-lined street. Deck overlooks deep, landscaped yard and garden. 1BR/1BA and the whole thing literally sparkles with comfort and elegance!

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Rates...

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On June 30 the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pegged the 11th District Cost of Funds Index (COFI) for July payments at 4.864 percent, up slightly from the 4.822 percent that was in effect for June payments.

The COFI is the index widely used by the savings and loan industry for its adjustable rate mortgages.

To reach the Real Estate Editor call 339-4047.

Area Home Sales

ALAMEDA
363 Anderson Rd. - $407,000
1256 Broadway - $135,000
266 Creedon Cir. - $499,000
1300 Park Ave. - $170,000
1232 Pease Ct. - $225,000
1825 Shoreline Dr. - $120,000
8 Souza Ct. - $312,000
346 Sweet Rd. - $405,000

ALBANY
1122 Cornell Ave. - $265,000
810 Madison St. - $161,000
555 Pierce St. #1510 - $125,000
555 Pierce St. #410 - $113,500
1044 Ventura Ave. - $441,000

BERKELEY
1601 10th St. - $105,000
12 Alvarado Rd. - $712,000
2600 Ellsworth St. - $194,000
1785 Franklin St. - $155,000
1805 Franklin St. - $210,000
1209 Oregon St. - $163,000
1422 Parker St. - $150,000
1249 Rose St. - $140,000
2334 Spaulding - $199,000
1311 Spruce St. - $525,000

EL CERRITO
238 Behrens St. - $225,000
1106 Navellier St. - $168,000
1227 Norvell St. - $162,500

EL SOBRANTE
4645 Driftwood Ct. - $127,500

OAKLAND
10910 Acalanes Dr. - $123,500
3308 Birdsall Ave. - $144,000
5340 B'way Ter., 508 - $179,000
260 Caldecott #179 - $175,000
260 Caldecott #217 - $132,500
260 Caldecott #222 - $140,000
260 Caldecott #223 - $204,000
260 Caldecott #225 - $158,000
260 Caldecott #226 - $220,500
260 Caldecott #228 - $197,000
260 Caldecott #229 - $208,000
260 Caldecott #232 - $198,500
260 Caldecott #233 - $139,000
3057 California St. - $110,000
3069 California St. - $110,000
5668 Carberry Ave. - $189,500
265 Chadbourne Way - $232,000
3056 Champion St. - $135,000
5912 Contra Costa Rd. - $650,000
4156 Eastlake Ave. - $180,000
988 Franklin St. #606 - $178,000
801 Franklin St. - $123,000
3290 Guido St. - $215,000
5561 Harbord Dr. - $365,000
2620 Haverhill Dr. - $301,000
1111 Hollywood Ave. - $440,500
1200 Hollywood Ave. - $389,000
2535 Humboldt Ave. - $173,500
21 Kingwood Rd. - $361,000
320 Lee St. - $118,000
6259 Leona St. - $242,000
4480 Malcolm Ave. - $279,500
5321 Miles Ave. #Y - $210,000
525 Monte Vista #10 - $163,000
6995 Paso Robles Dr. - $272,000
4232 Ridgemont Ct. - $400,000
386 Santa Clara. #301 - $140,000
673 Santa Ray Ave. - $230,000
4320 St. Andrews Rd. - $276,000
4701 Tompkins Ave. - $153,000
2506 Truman Ave. - $140,000
935 Warfield Ave. - $297,000

PIEDMONT
800 Blair Ave. - $540,000
45 Craig Ave. - $750,000
3 Monte Ave. - $587,000
18 Nace Ave. - $519,000
224 San Carlos Ave. - $495,000

SAN LEANDRO
2005 Britannia Ln. - $270,000
15687 Cruiser Cir. - $256,000
2715 Darius Way - $260,000
16794 Ehle St. - $124,000
252 Estabrook St. - $145,500
499 Estudillo #303 - $115,000
1580 Fairmont Dr. - $161,500
15127 Flying Mist Rd. - $327,500
508 Joaquin Ave. - $140,000
919 Martin Blvd. - $122,500
1541 Peters St. - $165,000
1432 Regent Dr. - $295,000
16565 Rolando Ave. - $200,000
2025 Seaspray Cir. - $275,500
2027 Seaspray Cir. - $251,500
2220 Sitka St. - $158,000
975 Victoria Ave. - $150,000
327 W. Broadmoor - $145,000
2415 Yaffee Dr. - $275,000

SAN LORENZO
16017 Nielson Ave. - $174,500
17482 Via Susana - $193,000
17165 Via Valencia - $158,000

SALES STATS BY CITY

ALAMEDA
TOTAL SALES: 8
LOWEST PRICE: $120,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $499,000
AVERAGE PRICE: $284,125

ALBANY
TOTAL SALES: 5
LOWEST PRICE: $113,500
HIGHEST PRICE: $441,000
AVERAGE PRICE: $221,100

BERKELEY
TOTAL SALES: 10
LOWEST PRICE: $105,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $712,000
AVERAGE PRICE: $255,300

EL CERRITO
TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: $162,500
HIGHEST PRICE: $225,000
AVERAGE PRICE: $185,166

EL SOBRANTE
TOTAL SALES: 1
PRICE: $127,500

OAKLAND
TOTAL SALES : 42
LOWEST PRICE: $110,[illegible]
HIGHEST PRICE: $650,[illegible]
AVERAGE PRICE: $221,2[illegible]

PIEDMONT
TOTAL SALES: 5
LOWEST PRICE: $495,[illegible]
HIGHEST PRICE: $750,[illegible]
AVERAGE PRICE: $578,2[illegible]

SAN LEANDRO
TOTAL SALES: 9
LOWEST PRICE: $115,00[illegible]
HIGHEST PRICE: $327,50[illegible]
AVERAGE PRICE: $201,9[illegible]

SAN LORENZO
TOTAL SALES : 3
LOWEST PRICE: $158,00[illegible]
HIGHEST PRICE: $193,00[illegible]
AVERAGE PRICE: $175,16[illegible]

Gardening books to loa[illegible]

The Oakland East Bay Garden Center Inc. has a library with emphasis on books on plants, gardening and horticulture.

The library has 300 reference books available for use at the library and 900 circulating books that circulate for a period of 30 days.

The books are available to all Bay Area residents for the small annual fee of $2. The libra[illegible] cated in the Garden Center [illegible] ing in Lakeside Park, 666 Be[illegible] Ave., Oakland, is open Th[illegible] 11:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. [illegible] holidays).

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Hey!!! What are you waiting for??? Bring an offer! 3BR, 1BA, approx. 900 sq. ft., remod kitchen, redwood deck, gleaming hdwd floors, large level fenced yard, 1-car att'd gar. #W41175 Carla Della Zoppa 510-234-7808

BAY VIEW ON THE ARLINGTON.....$199,800
2BR, 1BA, approx. 1,358 sq. ft., great gardens, 2-car attached garage, hardwood, bonus rm, elegant. #W41190 Cynthia Burke 510-262-0940

EL CERRITO HILLS / BAY VIEW.....$239,000
Super 3BR, 2BA with outstanding bay views! Low maint. yard, 2-car gar, central heat, over 1,600 sq. ft. #W40720 Jack Burns Jr. 707-864-8870

EL CERRITO HILLS / BIG LOT / VIEW / HOME!.....$339,000
4BR, 2BA, approx. 2,3363 sq. ft., with bay view and almost 1/3 wooded lot, 2-car attached garage, basement, formal dining with cottage. WOW! #W41151 Macella Morrison 510-235-1995

STUNNING IMMACULATE CONTEMPORARY / BAY VIEW...$389,000
3+BR, 2.5BA with den, 8 years old, family room, huge finished basement could be in-law or au pair, 2-car attached garage, RV parking, large private lot. Home approx. 2,783 sq ft. 8590 Terrace Dr., Open Sunday 2-4. #W41333 Geri Stern 510-234-7808

MAJESTIC COLONIAL DREAM HOME IN THE HILLS.....$479,000
3BR, 2.25BA, on 3 lots, .40 acre, BAY VIEW! 2-car garage with 2 parking spaces. Approx. 2,880 sq. ft. formal dining, 2+ frpls, hdwd floors, circular driveway, one of a kind!!! 2526 Alva, Open Sunday 1-5. #W41261 Ernie Spenser 510-223-4960

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TOTAL REHAB.....$245,698
2BR, 1BA, new skylites, new paint and carpet, attached garage, super area. #W40721 Jason Sangmaster 510-262-5585

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CHARMING RETREAT NEAR WILDCAT CANYON.....$198,000
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FABULOUS FATAPPLES NEIGHBORHOOD $256,000
Comfort, convenience and affordability await the new owner of this wonderful 3 bedrooms, 2 bath home. Outstanding level yard with fruit, vegetable & flower gardens. MARY GRAY 527-9111, 466-5843

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Tastefully upgraded Mediterranean home in the Berkeley hills. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, including au pair quarters. Gorgeous gourmet kitchen opens to tiled patio. Park-like yard. KEN KATZ 527-2700, 287-8756

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Two story fixer in wonderful neighborhood. 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2-car garage. Large level lot with fruit trees. Walk to BART. Hurry, won't last. RICHARD MORRISON 527-2700, 287-8764. **OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30**

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Comfortable well-built home on one level. Beautiful views of Tilden Park. Lovely master suite with craftsman details + 2 bedrooms, study and large family room. Parking for 4 cars.
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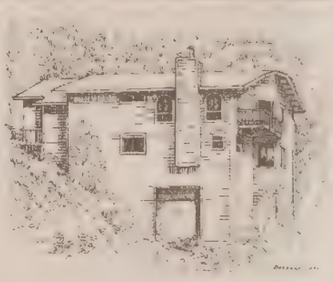

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y paint that is on the glass.

Water, water, water your land. ake it green. Prune and shape ushes and trees. If you feel the ed to add something, think big. A ozen yellow marigolds won't have uch impact; a three-foot-tall tree rn might.

Go through your files and find arranties and receipts that show hat kinds of maintenance and upades you've done; make copies these for your agent to pass along buyers.

You'll soon be making written sclosures about your house, so rt keeping a list of things that you n't going to fix ("The right rear rner on the stove is broken") and ngs you think you've fixed There was a leak around the westing dining-room window, which believe ABC Window has now aired").

Think about what personal propy you will be including in the le — and what a buyer would pect you to leave but you plan to e with you. Is it possible that a yer will think the living-room okcases are built in and therefore ll stay? What about the old chest eezer in the basement, the cord of ewood, your prized camellia sh?

Write it down: "The freezer in basement and the firewood in shed are included in the sale. eestanding living-room bookses and potted plants are exlded."

If you are taking the bedroom e curtains or the hallway light xture, it's best to deal with it now. move, replace, eliminate it from buyer's view. Somehow, when ople are told they can't have mething, they "want it bad." This hy tagging a vintage stove, for instance, with "not for sale" is a poor idea.

Are you assuming that the buyer will want surplus building materials? Extra ceramic tiles and a roll of linoleum, left-over shingles and paint? He probably will but he might not.

Some buyers really mean it when they ask that the property be left empty. You might start thinking now about how you will move or dispose of garden sprays, motor oil, paint thinner and a bunch of concrete blocks.

If you have a gun in the house, it should be removed or be under secure lock and key. If you have pets, you and your agent will need to take them into account when the house is shown.

Controlling the whereabouts of cats, especially those that rush every opening door, is a lot to ask. Many people are frightened by dogs, even friendly ones. If it is possible to have them elsewhere when your house is shown, it can be a great help.

When you offer your house for sale, you are marketing a product. If you are living in your product at the time it is for sale, there will be some inconvenience to you.

But if you think through things well ahead of time, make the house truly ready before anyone sees it, you'll increase your chances of selling quickly and well.

Too bad there's no way to prove how much money you will make, how much time you will save by doing things right. Just believe, because it's true, that you're acting in your own best interests.

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Builder looks back, creates future

As he sat creating the blueprints for 1076 Siler Place, designer/builder David Quillin wanted to reestablish a leitmotif for new construction in the Oakland hills. To accomplish this, he looked to the architects of the Arts and Crafts Movement and particularly to Bernard Maybeck.

"I attempted to find what the most appropriate context of the Oakland hills should be," said Quillin. "Since Siler Place did not entirely burn in the 1991 fire, it was important to me to tie the home to the existing landscape. I did not wish to repeat the `McMansions' that dot the landscape with absolutely no relationship to, no respect for the hills."

Quillin, who holds a master of architecture degree from Catholic University, found the Siler Place neighbors receptive to his design and this smoothed the way through the permit process.

Quillin focused his creation on a spectacular canyon view and designed the home's exterior to connect with the landscape. Windows were placed to maximize privacy and accentuate nature's panorama.

"Centering on the canyon and screening out the surrounding homes, I wanted to suggest intimacy and seclusion," Quillin said.

The exterior woodwork is redwood, which not only adds beauty but is historically significant in an area that once boasted one of California's largest redwood forests. Quillin's unique design knits the wood to the stucco.

Rich, open spaces characterize the interiors and allow for flexible, efficient use. Warm colors and natural light accent intimate, inviting corner seats and expansive, flowing areas with Quillin-designed detailing.

Decks and patios surround the home subtly extending the living space outdoors.

This singular home is open for all to enjoy this Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Call Lior Mayer at 524-9888 ext. 16 for details. David Quillin can be reached at 559-1077.

Jeff Lindquist

Accentuating nature's panorama was accomplished by the builder's use of decks and patios in his Siler Place creation.

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4 FARRAGUT AVENUE, PIEDMONT - 7+BD/5+BA.....$1,950,000
Beautifully restored, grand frml rms, 1/2 acre, bay views. Georgia Cornell

604 DENTON PLACE, HILLCREST EST - 5BD/3+BA.....$1,095,000
Fabulous home on over 1 acre with incredible views, au pair. Joan Daniel

5 CREST ROAD, PIEDMONT - 3+BD/3+BA.....$805,000
Elegant level-in, family room, den, light & airy, very serene. Debi Fitzgerrell

455 HILLTOP CRESCENT, ROCKRIDGE - 4+BD/4+BA.....$795,000
Cul-de-sac, SF/bay vus, 2 family rms, lg private garden Wendy Gardner

215 BYWOOD DRIVE, OAKMORE - 6BD/4BA.....$729,000
New listing! Spectacular! Fabulous mst suite, yard, decks. Helen Danhakl

333 ESTATES DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/4BA.....$710,000
Georgeous Medit on over 1/4 acre, SF bay view, new kitchen K Callahan

19 BEECHWOOD, CLAREMONT PINES - 4BD/3.5BA.....$699,000
Lovely 1-yr old custom colonial deck/yard Best location! Dee Knowland

4 ABBOTT WAY, PIEDMONT - 4BD/4BA.....$679,000
Spacious, 2 family rms, loft, SF/GG views, 4-car garage. Martha Holstlaw

006 WOOD DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/3BA.....$559,000
Piedmont side, tastefully remodeled kit/family rm, office Donna Costella

516 HEATHER RIDGE, MONTCLAIR - 3BD/2+BA.....$410,000
Custom 9-yr old contemp, park-like setting, lg mst suite. Sandi Klemmer

309 CHAMBERLIN COURT, RIDGEMONT - 4BD/3BA.....$405,000
Reduced! Quiet cul-de-sac, wonderful yard, gazebo, garden. Robyn Mohr

014 CRYSTAL RIDGE, RIDGEMONT - 4+BD/3BA.....$405,000
Reduced! Outstanding kit/fam room, master suite, level yard. Robyn Mohr

26 MODOC AVENUE, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 3BD/3BA.....$395,000
Totally remodeled, sunny, 2 plus rms, bay views, back yard. Lee Jacobson

117 SNAKE ROAD, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/3BA.....$395,000
Beautiful SF & bay view, 2 sunny decks, large level back yard. Ann Nichols

6719 CHELTON DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/3BA.....$379,000
Immaculate, 7 years old, level-in, kit/family room combo. Diane E. McCan

1849 DRAKE DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2+BA.....$375,000
Gracious & sunny trad, fam rm, privacy, pool, 2-car garage. Nancy Chew

5115 FAIRHILL COURT, RIDGEMONT - 3+BD/2+BA.....$369,000
Reduced! All level, family rm, lg patio/garden areas, 3-car gar. Robyn Mohr

1615 ARROWHEAD DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 4BD/2BA.....$359,000
New listing! Immaculate contemp, remodeled kit, mst suite. Tom Anthony

6535 VALLEY VIEW, MONTCLAIR - 3BD/2BA.....$335,000
Contemporary in private woodsy setting, great sep of space. Nancy Chew

2031 ASILOMAR DRIVE, MONTCLAIR - 3BD/2BA.....$330,000
New listing! New kit & baths, hdwd floors, level out garden. Bonnie Hirsch

1027 CLARENDON CRESCENT, CROCKER - 3BD/1+BA.....$319,000
Light & airy trad, top-of-the-line kitchen & bath remodel, yard. Teri Carlisle

461 FLORENCE, UPPER ROCKRIDGE - 2BD/1BA.....$295,000
Traditional in excellent cond, bay view & fabulous veranda. Chuck Corwin

3627 VIRDEN AVENUE, REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 3BD/1+BA...$239,000
Spacious & private, serene setting, bay view, beaut yard. Diane E. McCan

3830 RHODA AVENUE, LAUREL - 2BD/1BA.....$229,000
New listing! Very lovely home, beautiful kit & great back yard. Joan Hause

4150 TERRACE STREET, PIEDMONT AVE - 2BD/1BA.....$209,000
New listing! Cute bungalow, updated kitchen & bath, bsmt. Patricia Scott

76 RAMONA AVENUE, PIEDMONT AVE - 2BD/1BA.....$199,500
Charming! Hardwood flrs, fresh paint, great back yard, garage. Joan Dark

2928 SHEFFIELD AVENUE, GLENVIEW - 2BD/1BA.....$189,000
Sunny trad, move-in condition, frpl, frml dining, att'd garage. Dick Cohen

525 MONTE VISTA #1, ROSE GARDEN - 1BD/1BA.....$124,500
Great price! Nice condo, desirable building, balcony, parking. Joan Hause

BY APPOINTMENT

BREATHTAKING SF/GG VIEWS!.....$1,450,000
Gracious custom home w/sweeping views. Dramatic entry, 5+BD/4+BA, huge party rm with wet bar, oversized garage. Robyn Mohr

STUNNING NEW HOME.....$999,000
Ultimate in luxury and tranquility. 1.4 acres in private setting 4BD/3BA, professionally decorated. Helen Danhakl 547-5750

THREE-BRIDGE VIEW.....$839,000
Spectacular newer contemporary! 4BD/3+BA, 2 fireplaces, gourmet kitchen, family rm with built-in home theater. Vicki Woodhead

PRIVATE GARDEN SETTING.....$549,000
Elegant contemporary w/bay views. Dramatic entry, 4BD/3+BA, 2 mstr suites, formal DR, spacious kitchen/fam rm. Wendy Gardner

SWEEPING CANYON VISTAS.....$499,500
Light, open contemporary. 3700+ sq ft., architectural detail, 4BD/4+BA, rec/billiard room, gourmet eat-in kitchen. Robyn Mohr

NEW CONTEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION.....$469,000
Wonderful views! Open floor plan, over 2,700 sq. ft. of living space. 3BD/3+BA, large family room or 4th bedroom. Dick Cohen

ROCKRIDGE COUNTRY ENGLISH.....$459,000
Upgraded throughout! 4BD/2+BA, fabulous eat-in kit, formal DR with French doors to deck, fenced patio, garden. Wendy Gardner

WOODED SETTING - MONTCLAIR.....$379,000
Updated throughout with wonderful amenities! 3BD/3BA, large family room opens to creekside deck, hdwd floors. Chuck Corwin

LIGHT, BRIGHT CONTEMPORARY.....$368,000
Sweeping canyon views, 3BD/2+BA, master suite, formal dining, kitchen/family rm combo, new decks, 2-car garage. Chuck Corwin

WALK TO MONTCLAIR VILLAGE!.....$339,500
This 3BD/3BA home offers a serene setting, eat-in kitchen, rec room, patio and garden areas for outdoor living. Joan Hause

ROCKRIDGE TRADITIONAL.....$287,000
One level, 2BD/2BA, hardwood floors, oak box beam ceilings, 2 fireplaces, remodeled kitchen and baths. Francis Heath

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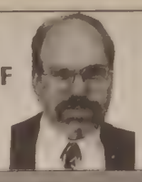

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The name Queen Anne was first applied to Victorian domestic architecture in the mid 1870s in England. Architects on London's fashionable West End were trying to come up with a new style to suit the ever fancier tastes of their nouveau riche clients. They had already drawn from past styles such as Gothic, Italian, Renaissance, Elizabethan and Jacobean.

Somehow some of these ar tects hit upon the idea of b elements of all these earlier s and naming this new "style" a monarch whose name hadn't used by any Victorian-era h builders before: Queen Anne.

This monarch had a rela short and uneventful reign (17 1714) and during her time o throne, England was making a sition from Jacobean to Geo architecture.

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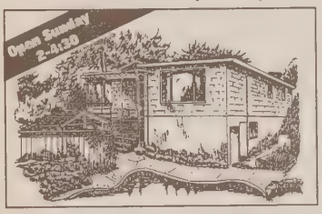

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1880 and remained popular ughout the United States until nd of the Victorian era.

1884 edition of the popular azine California Architect and ding News summed up the out- ish character of the Queen Anne in an imaginary conversation een an architect and his client he which may well have taken given the spirit of the times. he home builder brings the ar- ct his own set of plans for re- and approval before deciding re the architect to oversee the truction of his dream house. A discussion then follows in the itect's office.

rchitect: Well, that is a pretty house plan for an amateur — you have no place for stair- and closets. Did you make it ourself?

uilder (beaming with pride): But the only thing that puzzles to know what style of cottage it is. It is not Gothic, nor Italian, nor—

Architect: No it's absolutely nothing. As to style — it's simply a meaningless hodgepodge, to be frank with you.

Builder (looking crestfallen): Well, have you no names for hodgepodges?

Architect: Oh! Yes! We call 'em Queen Annes!

The full-fledged Queen Anne villa (a home with two or more stories and a tower and a turret) had an overwh'ming array of ornaments and features. The basic elements found on all Queen Anne villas were:

• a rounded or multi-sided tower or turret on one corner, usually topped with a conical spire called a witches hat;

• fish-scale shaped shingles and/or other shapes of ornamental shingling;

• recessed or angled-back bays at the corners;

• spindles or thin, round pieces of wood lining the tops of porches, at the peaks of gables or in the corners of the recessed bays;

• high-peaked gables lined with decorative wooden barge boards.

Other optional features on Queen Anne homes (including smaller houses or cottages without a tower or turret) included:

• fancy stained-glass windows with floral or landscape designs;

• plaster floral patterns with fancy flower or vine patterns, usually in the gables;

• massive brick chimneys along one side of the house with ornamental brick work;

• curved or "wrap-around" verandas that ran from the entry steps, across one side, then around one corner of the house.

The interiors of Queen Anne houses displayed a similar array of ornate details. There were several niches or nooks along the walls or in the corners of the main downstairs rooms where owners could display small statues, busts, urns or other bric-a-brac.

Spindles were often used as decoration between the living room and the dining room or in entry halls, where they either filled the corners of, or completely spanned the arches dividing these rooms.

Fireplaces were usually decorated with glazed "scenic tiles" depicting scenes from popular novels, ancient mythology or past cultures. Elaborate overmantels, or decorative wooden structures above the fireplace mantels, often had spindles and small shelves for displaying knickknicks.

Walls were commonly covered in wainscoting, or paneling four to six feet high, made of wood, cork or pressed cardboard and often embellished with geometric patterns. Ceilings were almost always adorned with decorative plaster panels, or rosettes, above each hanging light fixture.

One area of the East Bay where a large number of these Queen Anne villas remain intact in their original setting is Alameda's Gold Coast, along the island's western shore. A drive or a stroll through the streets of the Gold Coast, bounded roughly by Central Avenue, Webster Street, Park Street and San Francisco Bay, provides a rare treat for lovers of late Victorian architecture.

No more delightful examples of the Queen Anne villa in its ultimate phase of development can be found than the two incredible concoctions that straddle the Gold Coast intersection of Willow and San Jose.

One area where many Queen Anne villas remain in their original setting is the Gold Coast in Alameda.

At 2103 San Jose Street is a classic example if a conical-turreted villa loaded with sawn wood ornament. This was originally the home of George Brown, listed in city records as a self-styled "capitalist." It was built in 1891 for $5,200; the architect was Charles Shaner, a prominent designer-developer in Victorian Alameda.

The zenith of Queen Anne architecture in the East Bay was achieved in the fantastic home at 2070 San Jose Street. Built in 1893 by the local developer-contractor Dennis Brehaut, the design of this residence includes literally every ornamental motif popular at the time on its multitextured facade.

It is somewhat surprising to note that available evidence indicates that there was no architect involved in the construction, and that Brehaut took the design from a plan published in a popular pattern book.

The largest and one of the best preserved Queen Anne villas in the East Bay is the Captain James Boudrow House at 1536 Oxford Street in North Berkeley. It was built in 1889 by a retired sea captain who owned a fleet of merchant marine shipsin San Francisco Bay.

The four-story rounded tower, balustraded stairway, cast-iron fences, carved oak front door and multiple stained-glass windows (one of which depicts Boudrow's flagship on the Bay) combine to create an aura of high Victorian elegance that is rare in today's urban scene.

America was never again to see the likes of Queen Anne architecture after it fell from popular favor at the turn of the century. To look at these opulent structures today is to stare in open-mouthed wonder and amazement.

Depending on one's point of view, for better or for worse, the Victorian era simply had to come to a close at the beginning of the 20th century.

After all where could we have gone from here?

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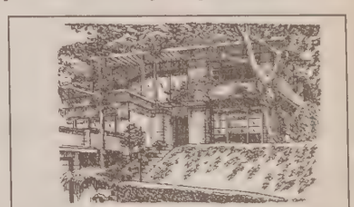

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Fix it now!

Many times we don't pay attention to a problem until it is impossible to ignore it. And sometimes we don't always get the chance to say, "I sure am glad that I caught that when I did!"

What are some of the typical situations a homeowner might want to address if he knew enough to be able to recognize them? Let's look at five of them.

Electrical systems

Many older homes have electrical systems that are inadequate for today's needs. Hair dryers, microwaves and portable electric heaters are some of the devices that can cause fuses to blow regularly.

Danger exists when fuses larger than those that should be used are installed. The needed circuit protection is no longer in place. The net result can be a fire.

A modern circuit breaker panel can distribute the electricity more safely and provide better protection.

Resistance to earthquakes

Earthquakes are a concern that is getting harder to ignore. The inevitability of the Hayward fault shifting in the next several years is a frightening prospect.

Questions to be concerned about include:

• Is the lowest piece of wood framing bolted to the foundation?

• Is there plywood or some other means if resisting sideways movement installed on the walls of the lowest level of the house?

• Is there a good connection between these walls and the first floor of the house?

• Is the hot water heater strapped so it won't tip over?

With this work in place, the home will be much better able to withstand the seismic forces an earthquake will place on it.

Water piping

If the water piping in the home is gray and has brown stains at some or all the joints, then it is likely galvanized steel pipe that is getting ready to fail.

This can produce an immediate problem particularly if the failing pipe is on the second or third floor and the water flowing from it damages existing interior finishes. The replacement of the galvanized piping with the appropriate copper piping will deliver more water with less risk.

Roofing

The average life of a roof is 15 to 20 years. The problem is that failure usually happens in the middle of the rainy season when roofers are very busy and can not respond in a timely way.

Things to look for include:

• pieces of roofing material on the ground around the house.

• stains on the ceiling in the house

• having lived in the house for 15 to 20 years and never having replaced the roof.

Replacing the roof usually entails other work like gutter replacement and painting. This is a good project not to do in the middle of the rainy season.

Drainage

That little stain in the corner of the finished basement can turn into a big problem when the heavy rains start. Drainage systems installed when older homes were built often don't work as well as one would like.

Getting this problem addressed during heavy rains is almost impossible and ill advised.

So what do you do if you have noticed any of these problems in

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Feds seek gol scam victims

The Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Attorney's Office said today that they are looking for victims of a gold investment fraud scheme that bilked investors out of nearly $500,000 over five years.

U.S. Attorney Michael Yamaguchi said 42-year-old Shelly Joseph Balius of Las Vegas was indicted by a federal grand jury in Oakland on May 22 on charges including interstate transportation of stolen funds, wire fraud and mail fraud.

Balius was arrested without incident on June 3 by special agents of the IRS criminal investigation division.

He will be prosecuted in U.S. District Court in Oakland and could be sentenced to nearly three years in state prison if he's convicted.

According to the indictment, Balius allegedly lied to potential investors, either directly or through others, by telling them he could obtain a profit of between 20 and 30 percent within six weeks by purchasing, reprocessing, and then reselling gold.

Federal officials s when investors failed to any return within the pro time period, Balius mis tional misrepresentati them.

He told them that pr had developed during t chasing and manufact the final product, of t processed gold failed the proper purity level.

Balius also allegedl some of the investors ha that more money was nee purchase pure gold to m the reprocessed produc tors then gave Balius money based on that in tion.

The indictment ident victims of Balius' schem were cheated out of a $485,485.

Amounts of the pho vestments range from $ to $147,000 between De ber 1991 and August 199

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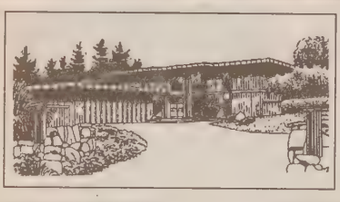

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Assistant U.S. Attorney David piro said today that most of 19 identified victims are from nda, Pleasanton and San Leanro.

Shapiro said most of the vics were sophisticated people wouldn't seem to be the type en in by investments scams, h as money managers and real te brokers.

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Shapiro said the victims were people Balius met "in every day life" and fell prey to his "smooth talking."

The indictment says Balius used the money for "his own personal expenses and for gambling." Many of the funds were wired to Balius at the Reno Hilton and the Nugget in nearby Sparks, Nevada.

Getting acquainted with ARMs

By Eric Tyson and Ray Brown

Personal finance and consumer advocate Eric Tyson has teamed up with real estate expert Ray Brown to provide a step-by-step guide to demystify the process of buying a home.

A down-to-earth, practical, holistic, and humorous book on home buying, "Home Buying For Dummies" walks consumers through everything from getting their financial house in order to establishing their real estate team to signing legal contracts. The following is an excerpt from the book.

If you're the calm and collected type who is not prone to panicking, can stomach interest rate volatility and has decided to go with an adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) when you purchase or refinance, you'll need to understand a bit more in order to make the right choice. ARMs are more complicated to evaluate and select than fixed-rate mortgages.

In addition to understanding points and other loan fees on fixed-rate loans, you'll also be bombarded with such jargon as margins, caps, and indexes. If you're a numbers geek, you could spend hundreds of hours comparing different permutations of ARMs and determining how they might behave in different interest-rate environments.

It's likely you're not, so here's a crash course in understanding ARMs.

Start rate

Most ARMs start at an artificially low interest rate. Selecting an ARM based on this rate is likely to be a huge mistake because you won't be paying this low rate for very long, perhaps for just six to twelve months—or maybe even just one month! Lenders and mortgage brokers are like many other salespeople; they like to promote the low teaser rate. That rate is what they're most likely to tell you about.

The start rate on an ARM is not anywhere near as important as what the future interest rate is going to be on the loan. How the future interest rate on an ARM is determined is the single most important feature for you to understand when evaluating an ARM.

Setting the future rate

All ARMs that we've ever seen are based on an equation that includes an index and margin, the two of which are added together to determine and set the future interest rate on the loan. Before we go further, please be sure that you understand these terms.

Index. The index is a measure of interest rates that the lender uses as a reference. For example, the six-month bank certificate-of-deposit (CD) index is used as a reference for many mortgages. Suppose that the going rate on six-month CDs is approximately 5 percent. The index theoretically indicates how much it costs the bank to take in money that it can then lend.

Margin. The margin is the lenders' profit (or markup) on the money that they intend to lend. Most loans have margins of around 2.5 percent, but the exact margin depends on the lender and the index that lender is using. When you compare loans that are tied to the same index and are otherwise the same, the loan with the lower margin is better.

Interest Rate. The interest rate is the sum of the index and the margin. It is what you will pay (subject to certain limitations), on your loan.

Putting it all together, in our example of the six-month CD index at 5 percent, plus a margin of 2.5 percent, we get an interest rate sum of 7.5 percent. This figure is known as the fully-indexed rate. If this loan starts out at 5 percent, for example, the fully indexed rate tells you what interest rate this ARM would increase to if the market level of interest rates, as measured by the CD index, stays constant. Never take an ARM unless you understand this important concept of the fully indexed rate.

Many mortgage lenders know that more than a few borrowers focus on an ARM's initial interest rate and ignore the margin and the index that determine the loan rate. Take our advice and look at an ARM's starting rate last. Begin to evaluate an ARM by understanding what index it is tied to and what margin it has. Let's look at some common ARM indexes.

Treasury Bills

The U.S. federal government is the largest borrower in the universe as we know it, so it should come as no surprise that at least one ARM index is based on the interest rate that the government pays on some of this pile of debt. The most commonly used government interest rate indexes for ARMs are for 6-month and 12-month treasury bills.

The treasury bill indexes tend to be among the faster-moving ones around. In other words, they respond quickly to market changes in interest rates.

Certificates of deposit

Certificates of deposit (CDs) are interest-bearing bank investments that lock you in for a specific period of time. ARMs are usually tied to the average interest rate banks are paying on six-month CDs.

As with treasury bills, CDs tend to move rapidly with overall changes in interest rates. However, CD rates tend to move up a bit more slowly when rates rise,

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your house? Get some information that will help you decide if you have a problem and how to resolve the problem.

A general contractor with whom you may already have a good working relationship can help. He will know if his company is appropriate for the work you need done. If it is not, he can probably give you a referral or two to more suitable companies.

If you do not have a general contractor whom you trust, speak with friends and neighbors. Get a few names and check their references.

With a contractor's help, you can deal with a situation in your home before it becomes a problem.

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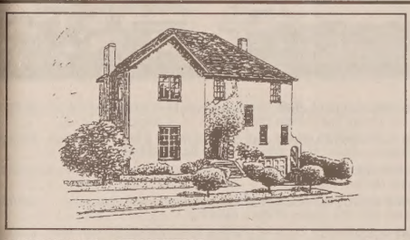

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CHARMING STARTER. Beau 2/1 house. Gdn, deck. Area in 1st time buyers' prog. Anne Van Dyke ext. 137 .. **$125,000**

OAKLAND

LOVELY TREE, CITY & BAY VIEWS. Filled with light and artfully remodeled. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, shop/office. Montclair. Gini Erck ext. 133 ..... **$369,000**

6305 MELVILLE DR., Open Sunday 2-4:30. Views of bridges and bay. Spacious multi-level Piedmont Pines home. Leslie Easterday ext. 134 ..... **$335,000**

957 WARFIELD, Open Sunday 2-4:30. New! 3BR/1BA. Adorable & immaculate. Remod kitchen and bath. Deck and garden. New paint in/out. Nancy Noman ext. 124 ... **$239,000**

MONTCLAIR FIXER in nice location. Big lot, charm. Needs a lot. Faye Keogh ext. 126 ..... **$210,000**

AFFORDABLE AND ADORABLE! 2BR, 1BA, with canyon view. Leslie Avant ext. 122 ..... **$149,000**

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When the search is in vain

Looking for months for a home to buy with no success can be a frustrating experience. There are steps you can take to turn the situation around.

Identify the source of the problem. Why are you having difficulty finding a home to buy? Is the inventory of homes for sale low? Are you losing out to other buyers in multiple offer competitions? Are you too timid about making offers? Are you turning down properties that could work for you?

Maybe your agent could make a better effort. Home buying is a time-consuming endeavor. It requires a mutual commitment on the part of you and your agent. If you find that new listings are selling before you have a chance to see them, your agent may be the cause of your problem.

Have a heart-to-heart talk with your agent. If he or she is too busy to call you as soon as new listings hit the market, find another agent who has more time for you.

However, if your agent is diligent about letting you know when new listings become available, the problem may be you. In a hot market, when listings sell quickly, you need to make every effort to see new properties as soon as possible. Waiting to see them at a public open house may be too late.

Sometimes lack of communication between buyers and their agent can make it difficult for agents to locate the right property. Make sure your agent has a clear understanding of just what you're looking for.

Make a list of everything you need and want in a home. Give a copy of this list to your agent. Ask your agent if your wish list is realistic. If it's not, you may need to change some of your priorities.

Low inventory can make it difficult to find a home to buy, particularly if you're looking for something unique, or a type of home that's in high demand. In this situation, you need to be extra diligent in your search. You should look at any home that comes close to fitting your requirements.

Broaden your horizons if you've had no luck. For example, instead of only looking at Mediterranean styles, consider including other architectural styles in your search. Find out if there are additional neighborhoods that might be acceptable. The more flexible you can be, the easier it'll be to find a home.

Buyers who are losing homes to other buyers in multiple offer competitions need to figure out why this is happening. Are you coming in too low on price? Make sure you examine comparable sales information before making an offer. Also, find out the selling prices of the homes you lost out on. In a hot market, well-priced properties can sell for over the asking price.

The most qualified buyers usually win in multiple-offer presentations. Get preapproved for the financing you need, not just prequalified. Preapproval involves submitting a loan application and going through the complete approval process.

Review the inventory of homes you've rejected so far, particularly those you saw early in your search. When you're new to the home buying market, you're probably looking with an ideal wish list in mind. Your home-buying parameters often change during the course of your search as you learn what the housing inventory has to offer.

There may be a home you turned down because it only had one and a half bathrooms and you need two. If there's potential for converting the half bath into a full bath, and the listing is still available, take another look.

Do some serious soul searching if you keep getting close to buying a home but end up turning down one after another. You could be a victim of the approach/avoidance syndrome that afflicts many prospective home buyers.

Buying a home means making a big commitment. If you find you're talking yourself out of buying one listing after another, the problem may be your fear of making a commitment.

Buying a home involves making compromises. If you aren't willing to make trade-offs, you may not be truly motivated to buy.

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REAL ESTATE FORUM

DIAN HYMER

Hot stuff for those annoying rascals

By Buzz Bertolero

Q: I have had endless trouble with raccoons; they have destroyed more in my garden than they have left. One notable example has been the ruination of my beautiful Mayten tree. I finally hit on a solution to keep them away from the tree. I tied four branches from my thorniest rose bush vertically around the trunk. The critters have only been around once since then. Do you have any more suggestions?

A: Since raccoons like to groom themselves, try smearing the trunk with tanglefoot mixed with cayenne pepper. Tanglefoot is a very sticky, gummy resin that will stick to their feet; as they lick it off, the red pepper gives them a continuing bad experience. This might be an effective method to discourage them from climbing your trees.

Treat any area that the animals are foraging for grubs and other soil insects with "beneficial nematodes." This will effectively remove any food source and they will then look elsewhere.

Q: I have a problem with two containers on my balcony recently refilled them with and new plants. An old comp holds moisture well and has runoff in the saucer. But with new ones the water runs thr the dirt immediately and load saucers to overflowing; the p look dry. Is there anything I add to the soil to make it water better?

A: It may be that the root balls were on the dry when you planted them. Y may be rolling around the balls without penetrating can the plants to suffer from w stress.

Pull the plants out and merge them in a bucket of Hold the plants down until water stops bubbling, then re them. Take the saucers off your containers and let the freely flow out of the bottom.

You can check the soil's m ture with a simple hand test.

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YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

5604 DENTON PI, Hillcrest Estates, 5/3+ on 1+ acre, aupair, views! $1,095,000
Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460

5455 HILLTOP CRESCENT, Rckrdge 4+/4+, cul-de-sac, garden, vw $795,000
Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460

2215 BYWOOD DR, Oakmore, 6bd/4ba, new listing! fab mstr, decks $729,000
Pacific Union, Helen Danhakl 339-6460

152 OCEAN VIEW, Rockridge, live in a work of art! 3++/2½, views $725,000
Berkeley Hills Realty, Nancy Mueller 524-9888 X20 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

5933 ESTATES DR, Montclair 4bd/4ba, gorgeous Med, SF bay view $710,000
Pacific Union, Kathleen Callahan 339-6460

119 BEECHWOOD, Claremont Pines 4b/3½b custom colonial, deck $699,000
Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460

5410 FERNHOFF Dr, Oakland Hills, 4+bd/3½b, 1+acre, library, FDR $695,000
Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400

5350 BACON RD, Gated horse property, 3bd/2ba, bay view, pool $685,000
Wells & Bennett, Noll Davis 531-9536

2 DIABLO DRIVE, Montclair, 5bd/3ba w/decks & vw of hills & bay! $680,000
Some cosmetics needed. Dutra RE, Mary Evans 734-5270

15030 BROADWAY TR, Montclair, fab pano bay vws, 4+/3½, elegant $679,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carole Berger 644-5499

6133 RUTHLAND RD, 5/3 w/old world charm & modern amenities $649,000
Coldwell Banker, Marilyn Bremser 339-1174

6431 BROOKSIDE, Newly built, 4bd/3ba, Walk to BART $645,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, David Ichikawa 547-8978

6041 GIRVIN, 4000 sq ft! quiet street, mstr w/sitting rm, fab view! $629,000
Wells & Bennett, Mary Neuberger 530-4148

901 PARAMOUNT, Crocker Highlands beauty, 3bd/2½b updtd trad'l $629,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Hinkley 644-5440

6039 GLENARMS DRIVE, Montclair, 5+bd/3ba, 4300 sq ft, stunning $625,000
custom family home. 2 fireplaces. Level yard. Martino RE 523-9300

6201 ACACIA AV, 4/3, new, spacious Tudor. Level-in, pano hills vw, $625,000
3 decks, 3 fp, mstr suite, study. Prime location. Agt/Richard 559-9134 **SUN 1-4**

4801 PROCTOR, Rockridge, new craftsman, 5/3½, terraced garden $619,000
The GRUBB Company, Joan Karnay 339-0400

9086 BROADWAY TER, 3 bridge view! 5bd/4½ba, decks, 3-car gar $589,000
Coldwell Banker, Ken MacDonald 339-1174

6232 WOOD DRIVE, Montclair, 4/2½ Medit, grt property, level out $579,000
Mason-McDuffie, Chris Nedderson 428-0900

21 HILLWOOD PL, Crocker Hghlnds classic 3/3½ colonial, 1/4 acre, $560,000
cul-de-sac. Aupair (not legal apt). Leon & Co., Greg 444-2565 X230 **SUN 2-5**

6006 WOOD DRIVE, Montclair 4bd/3ba, remodeled, office, kit/fam rm $559,000
Pacific Union, Donna Costella 339-6460

2100 DRAKE, Montclair 3+bd/3ba on double lot, 3356 sq ft $499,500
Better Homes, Carol Cohen 339-8400

34 OVAL ROAD, Montclair, custom, 4 yr old, 3bd/2ba on cul-de-sac $499,500
Owner 547-8173 **OPEN SUNDAY 1-5**

868 TRESTLE GLEN RD, 3bd/2½ba, "like new", xtra lg home/lg lot! $489,000
Gadsby & Associates, Abby 748-5300

6344 SNAKE RD, Montclair, classy 3bd/2ba Tudor on 1/4 acre $485,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Cheryl St. Clair 339-2626

28 MASONIC PLACE, Rockridge, updtd ranch w/hill & bay vw, 3/2 $479,000
Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174

2035 MAGELLAN, Montclair, 4bd/3ba, in the trees, walk to village $475,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Jim Forquer 869-4263

31 BAY FOREST CT, Pinewood, 2bd/1ba, Spectacular pano views $475,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Herb Manor 869-4227

6574 SHEPHERD CANYON, 3/2½ contemp, office, den, or 4th bd $454,950
Coldwell Banker, Donna Conroy 339-1174

235 SOMERSET RD, Montclair, redesigned kit/level out to patio/gdn $449,000
The GRUBB Company, Bettina Balestrieri 339-0400

6622 GLEN OAKS, Montclair 3bd/2ba, pano views, sea ranch style $449,000
Better Homes, Lois Johnson 339-8400

6124 RUTHLAND RD, 4bd includ.suite on ground level w/sep.entry $449,000
The GRUBB Company, Debra Dryden 339-0400

5833 McANDREW Dr, Montclair 4+bd/3b, level-in, remod kit, hm ofc $449,000
Better Homes, Lyn Murray 339-8400

7001 EXETER, Montclair, 4bd/3½ba, stunning view home $449,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Emily Lane 869-4232

1076 SILER, Elegant, nw custom 3/2½, canyon vws, decks, patios $449,000
Berkeley Hills Realty, Lior Mayer 763-5787 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

19 HAWKS HILL CT, Hiller, new listing! 3bd/2ba, pano vw, upgrades $439,000
Mason-McDuffie, Gayle Tantau 845-6021

2098 MELVIN RD, Oakmore hilltop, 3bd/2+ba, FDR, family rm, deck $432,500
Coldwell Banker, Katherine Grubb 339-1174

3003 TOTTERDELL, P. Pines, 4bd/3ba, 2 mstr suites, level yard $424,900
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Howard Converse 869-4212

15005 BROADWAY TER, Montclair, 3bd/2½ba, family room, grt view! $419,000
Marvin Gardens, Alice McLeish 526-1101

6075 OAKWOOD, Sunny 4/2 beauty, complete remodel, decks! view! $419,000
Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 839-5846

6516 HEATHER RIDGE, Montclair 3bd/2+b, lg mstr, park-like setting $410,000
Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460

5926 WOOD Dr, Montclair, view contemporary, 3bd/2½b, Japanese $409,000
gardens, fam rm, patio, pool. College Ave Realty, Steve Dopkin 845-8008

4315 VIEWCREST CT, Wrap-around yd, quiet cul-de-sac, 4bd/3ba $409,000
The GRUBB Company, Sherry Benninger 339-0400

5014 CRYSTAL RIDGE, 4+bd/3ba, price reduced! mstr suite, yard $405,000
Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460

4309 CHAMBERLIN CT, Ridgemont, 4bd/3b on cul-de-sac, garden $405,000
Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460

8201 SKYLINE CIR, Bayview in Oakland Hills, 3 & 4bds w/2½ba, HIGH
by Kaufman and Broad. Spectacular views of SF bay, recreational $300,000's
trails, easy commute. 430-9633 **OPEN DAILY 10-6, FRIDAY 1-6** and up

7117 SNAKE RD, Montclair, 4bd/3ba, SF & bay view, 2 decks, lg yd $395,000
Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460

226 MODOC AVE, Rockridge, 3/3 totally remodeled, 2 plus rms, vws $375,000
Pacific Union, Lee Jacobson 339-6460

6915 PINEHAVEN RD, Montclair 5bd/2½b, sep entry to office/in-law $389,500
Better Homes, Ed Lindorfer 531-8401 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-5**

2000 ARROWHEAD DR, Montclair 5bd/3½ba, best buy! deck, FDR $389,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

6779 CHELTON Dr, Mntclair, 3/2½, FDR, office, decks, kit/fam comb $389,000
The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400

1018 WINSOR AV, Lakeshore, classic Dutch colonial w/gardens, 4bd $385,000
The GRUBB Company, Jean Simmons 339-0400

575 RADNOR, Haddon Hill, 4bd/3½ba w/old charm, but updated $379,000
Mason-McDuffie, John Bell 834-2010

6719 CHELTON DR, Montclair 4bd/3ba, level-in, family rm/kit combo $379,000
Pacific Union, Diane E. McCan 339-6460

7265 WILD CURRANT, Montclair, large yard, privacy, 4+bd/3ba $379,000
Mason-McDuffie, Nancy Moore 428-0900

815 PROSPECT AV, New listing! 4bd/2½ba, new construction $379,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Dolores Thorn 763-1710

6880 MOORE DR, Montclair 3+bd/3ba, best value in hills/must sell $379,000
Better Homes, Mel Copland 339-8400

1849 DRAKE DR, Montclair 4bd/2+ba, gracious sunny trad'l, pool $375,000
Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460

11177 ELVESSA ST, Chabot Hghlnds, 3/2, expansive deck, ¼acre $369,500
Richardson Real Estate, Georgia Richardson 569-3499

5115 FAIRHILL CT, Ridgemont, 3+bd/2+ba, lg patio/garden areas $369,000
Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460

2636 MOUNTAINGATE WAY, P. Pines, 5bd/3ba, room to grow! $365,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

6255 VIEWCREST, Ridgemont 3bd/2½ba, pano bay views, reduced $359,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

1705 MANZANITA Dr, Montclair 3bd/2½b contemp, vw SF & sunsets $359,000
Coldwell Banker, Fritz Hochfeilner 339-1174

1615 ARROWHEAD DR, Montclair 4bd/2ba, new listing! mstr suite $359,000
Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460

5910 LaSALLE, Montclair, 3bd/2½ba, family room $359,000
Mason-McDuffie, Vicky Friedman 845-0211

4106 OAKMORE, 4bd/2b, 2-car att'd garage, FDR, brkfst rm, nice yd $359,000
Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 839-9197

2639 CAMINO LENADA, P. Pines, 1st open! 5/2, move in condition! $345,000
Better Homes, Martha Shin 531-8643

4491 ZIEGLER AVE, 4bd/2½ba, nr Chabot Golf course, landscaped! $342,000
Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-7653

6616 BANNING DR, Montclair Hills, 4bd/2½ba, 2000 sq ft, fireplace. $339,000
New decor. Realty Advocates, Anne Bothwell 531-3308 **OPEN SUNDAY 1-4:30**

6535 VALLEY VIEW, Montclair 3bd/2ba contemp, woodsy, private $335,000
Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460

6305 MELVILLE DR, Great views of bridges & bay! multi-level home $335,000
Templeton Company, Leslie Easterday 652-2133 X134

2031 ASILOMAR DR, Montclair, new listing! 3bd/2ba, hdwd, garden $330,000
Pacific Union, Bonnie Hirsch 339-6460

614 ALMA AVE, Haddon Hill, huge family home, 6bd or legal duplex $329,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, Bob Randall 869-4242

6462 OAKWOOD DR, Montclair, 3bd/3ba, brand nw listing! loft/den $329,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

1027 CLARENDON CRES, 3bd/1+ba, top of line kit/ba remodel, yd $31[illegible]
Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460

260 ELYSIAN FIELDS DR, Fab 3/2 brick ranch! 2 frpl, FDR, hdwds $31[illegible]
Richardson Real Estate, Georgia Richardson 569-3499

1038 WALKER, Lakeshore, 3bd/2ba newly listed prairie style beauty $31[illegible]
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

6024 HARWOOD, Rockridge 2+bd/2, art studio, charm galore! $31[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie, Nancy Platford 845-0211

1289 HOLMAN RD, Oakland, 3bd/2ba, family rm, yd, EZ commute $30[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Dian Hymer 339-1174

2663 LAS AROMAS, P. Pines, 2+bd/1ba, sunfilled house, garden $30[illegible]
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

6674 CHARING CROSS, Hiller Highlands 3bd/2½b, many upgrades $29[illegible]
Better Homes, Carol Cohen 339-8400

6064 COLTON, 3bd/2ba, huge master suite, canyon view, decks $29[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 930-5846

4656 FAIR AVE, Mstr suite main level, 4/2 up, FDR, EIK, family rm $29[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Ruth Lockhart 339-1174

461 FLORENCE, Rockridge 2bd/1ba trad'l, fab veranda, bay view! $29[illegible]
Pacific Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460

15 ELSTON Ct, Glenvw, charm, 3bd Spanish +rental unit, cul-de-sac $29[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Don Dunning 482-2256

6768 EVERGREEN, Woodsy, Montclair 3/2½, rumpus, office, decks $29[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Peter Nicolopoulos 339-9780

6636 HEARTWOOD DR, Montclair, 2bd/2ba trad'l, charm, nw listing $28[illegible]
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

6931 PINEHAVEN, Montclair, outstanding 3/2½, 1st open! .37acre $28[illegible]
Better Homes, Carin Caroe 339-8400

4625 DOLORES AV, 1st open! Charm abounds! 4bd craftsman, FDR $28[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 531-7000

3937 GREENWOOD AV, Crocker Hghlnds, sunfilled 3/2½ bungalow $28[illegible]
on deep lot. Updtd kit/ba. Leon & Co., Greg Leon 444-2565 X230 **SUN 2-4**

1857 MAGELLAN, 3bd/2½ba custom contemp, pvt setting, nr village $28[illegible]
Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-7653

7927 PHAETON, Sequoyah Hills, 4bd/2½ba, 2300 sf, EZ care yd $27[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Margie Wright 869-4251

1925 SAN ANTONIO, Thousand Oaks, 2bd w/bay vw, sweet pvt yd $27[illegible]
Berkeley Hills Realty, Terese Ashman 524-9888 X11 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

4520 CLAREWOOD DR, Rockridge 2bd/2½ba townhome, lush, safe $27[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carolyn Jones 644-5426

3956 FRUITVALE, Oakmore 3bd/2ba, totally remodeled, mstr suite $26[illegible]
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

4628 STAUFFER PL, Redwood Hts, 3/2 on 1 level, frpl, lg patio $26[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Adriana Giacomelli 339-1174

4335 BRIAR CLIFF RD, 2bd/1½ba, hdwds, lg lot w/trees, bay view! $26[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Norm Robinow 339-1174

1862 CLEMENS, Oakmore 2+bd/1ba, new listing! nw decks, grt yard $26[illegible]
Better Homes Realty 339-4000

4549 SEQUOYAH, Sequoyah Highlands, 4bd/3ba exquisite ranch $26[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Mary Dresser 869-4224

3303 BURDECK, Piedmont Pines, 2bd/2ba cottage in the trees $26[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

3438 MONTEREY BL, 3bd/3ba, Redwood Hts, nds TLC, in-law unit $25[illegible]
Gadsby & Associates, Leigh 748-5300

4467 MORAGA AV, Piedmont Ave, nw listing! 3+/2, rumpus, yd, vws $25[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174

3965 WATERHOUSE, 1st open! 3bd Tudor w/lg yd, old world charm! $25[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Katie Meadow 531-7000

395 60th STREET, Rockridge, 3bd/2ba $24[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Candace Hyde-Wang 486-1495

3270 GUIDO St, Nw listing! Redwd Hts beauty, 2bd, bonus rm, deck $24[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174

538 WELDON, Upper Lakeshore, beautiful 3bd craftsman $24[illegible]
Mason-McDuffie, Sharon Ho 869-4219

957 WARFIELD, New! 3bd/1ba, immaculate, remod kit/ba, deck, gdn $23[illegible]
Templeton Company, Nancy Noman 652-2133 X124

5323 BOYD, Rockridge craftsman/original charm! probate sale $23[illegible]
Wells & Bennett, Jaya Bhimani 531-7000

3627 VIRDEN AVE, Redwood Hts 3bd/1+ba, serene setting, bay vw $23[illegible]
Pacific Union, Diane E. McCan 339-6460

657 FAIRMOUNT AV, Pied.Ave, nw listing! 2/1, deluxe remod kitchn $23[illegible]
Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174

3222 SYLVAN, Laurel, 3/2 on cul-de-sac, garden, gazebo, storage $23[illegible]
The GRUBB Company, Ed Kuo 339-0400

812 MACARTHUR BL, Grand traditional. 4++bd/2½ba, China Hill $22[illegible]
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X103

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ARMs...

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cause profit-minded bankers to drag their feet when it comes to paying more interest to depositors. Conversely, CD rates tend to come down quickly when rates decline, so that bankers can maintain their profits.

The 11th District Cost of Funds Index

The 11th District Cost of Funds Index (also known as COFI, pronounced like the stuff you drink in the morning), is published monthly by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. This index shows the monthly weighted average cost of savings, borrowings, and advances for its member banks located in California, Arizona, and Nevada (the 11th District). Because the COFI is a moving average of the rates that bankers have paid depositors over recent months, it tends to be a relatively stable index.

An ARM tied to a slower-moving index, such as the 11th District Cost of Funds Index, has the advantage of increasing more slowly when interest rates are on the upswing. On the other hand, you have to be patient to benefit from falling interest rates when rates are on the decline. The 11th District is slow to fall when interest rates overall decline.

Because ARMs tied to the 11th District Cost of Funds Index are slower to rise when overall interest rates rise, they generally begin at a higher rate of interest than do ARMs tied to faster moving indexes.

The London Interbank Offered Rate Index

Okay, now for a weirder index. The London Interbank Offered Rate index (LIBOR) is an average of the interest rates that major international banks charge each other to borrow U.S. dollars in the London money market. Like the U.S. treasury and CD indexes, LIBOR tends to move and adjust quite rapidly to changes in interest rates.

Why do we need an international interest-rate index? Well, foreign investors buy American mortgages as investments, and not surprisingly, these investors like ARMs tied to an index that they understand and are familiar with.

Unlike with a fixed-rate mortgage, ascertaining precisely the amount of money a particular ARM is going to cost you is not possible. As with choosing a home to buy, selecting an ARM that meets your needs and budget involves compromising and deciding what's important to you.

Dirt...

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a handful of the soil and squeeze until you've made a fist. If the water flows freely through your fingers, the soil is too wet.

Next open your hand, if the fistful of soil collapses and loses its shape, then the soil is too dry. But if it remains in the shape of your hand, it is just right.

I also suggest applying "Water Wet" or "Water In," which break the soil's surface tension and allow the water to saturate the soil.

Q: How do we tell poison oak from wild blackberries? We use a string-type grass cutter and never had any problems until my husband came down with contact dermatitis. We have always had a few scattered blackberry plants that I pull up or dig out. Now we notice one plant growing more upright — about two-feet tall — into a nearby shrub. We can't tell poisonous vines from berry vines, so we need some help.

A: In the fall poison oak is readily distinguishable blackberries because the poison oak turns a brilliant red. The rest of the year is more difficult as they have similar leaves. There is, however, one characteristic that can easily separate the two: blackberries have thorns. While there are thornless varieties of blackberries, wild ones boast thorns that are present even on young shoots.

Q: I have a 30-year-old orange tree that has had a permanent green mold on the trunk and upper limbs for the last two years. The tree is growing in an area surrounded by turf. Will this mold kill the tree? What kind of spray can I use to control the problem?

A: The green mold is a nonfatal fungus that results from the constant, year-round presence of moisture. Every yard has microclimates that change subtly over the years and this is an example of one.

Until two years ago, the area was drier so the mold could develop after the rainy season. Now the air is moist enough to support the fungus growth year round. Do not be overly concerned about this problem.

Q: My problem is thick clumps of Japanese bamboo, some are 20 feet tall. What is the best way to get rid of them?

A: There is no easy way to control a mature stand of running bamboo. Cutting it down to ground level is not the solution because the stems will rejuvenate the problem, so you will have to use a chemical herbicide.

The first thing to do is cut the bamboo down to manageable size. You need to lower the height to better control the herbicide drift so you do not affect any desirable plants. There is nothing currently available that will selective kill bamboo without damaging other plants.

If little foliage remains on the stems after you've cut the bamboo down, wait until the clumps send up green vegetative growth before spraying with Round-Up or Finale. Fertilize the bamboo to encourage this growth, if necessary because both these herbicides need a large leaf surface to be effective.

After the growth has died and been removed, fertilize the clumps again an allow them to grow four to six feet high. Then spray them again with Round-Up or Finale. Repeat this process until no new shoots develop. The process may take more than one growing season to be successful.

Listen to Buzz Bertolero, the "Dirt Gardener, Saturdays, 6 - 8 a.m., on KNBR 68, "The Sports and Gardening Leader." His e-mail address is dirtgarden@aol.com. Visit his web site: wwww.dirtgarden.com.

YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE

OPEN HOMES

RHODA AVE, Laurel 2bd/1ba, new listing! grt kit & back yd — $229,000
fic Union, Joan Hause 339-6460

SANTA RAY AVE, Crocker Highlands, 2/2 pristine Spanish Med — $225,000
on-McDuffie 339-9290, Bill Boze 869-4216

PARK BL, Glenview, 2bd craftsman, charm, encl. front porch — $219,000
GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400

ELBERT ST, Glenview, 2bd/1½ba unique home in woodsy — $219,000
ng. Hardwood floors, view. Agent 839-4395

REINHARDT, Redwood Hts 2/1, bright, sunny, deck, garden — $219,000
r Homes, Victor Fierro 832-4339

BROADWAY, 2bd/1ba bungalow, close to College Ave — $210,000
sby & Associates, Margaret 748-5300

WISCONSIN, Home w/a view! 4/2, Laurel district, DR, EIK — $210,000
well Banker, Donna Conroy 339-1174

KEMPTON WY, 4/2 craftsman, remod kit, FDR, walk Pied Ave — $209,000
Max Bay Area, Mark Kron 528-6212 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

EXCELSIOR AVE, Glenview 2+bd/1ba, sunny lg yd, move in! — $209,000
r Homes Realty 339-4000

TERRACE ST, Pied Ave 2/1, new listing! updtd kit/ba, bsmnt — $209,000
fic Union, Patricia Scott 339-6460

AMONA AVE, Piedmont Ave 2bd/1b cute bungalow, hdwds, yd — $199,500
fic Union, Joan Dark 339-6460

CANON AVE, Glenview, 2+bd/1ba, formal dining, private yd — $199,000
r Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400

50th STREET, Temescal, spacious/immaculate 3/1¼, location! — $189,500
on-McDuffie, Lisa Friedman 834-2010

SHEFFIELD AVE, Glenview 2/1 sunny trad'l, FDR, att'd gar — $189,000
fic Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460

BROWN AVE, Laurel district, 2bd/1ba, excellent condition — $179,500
ieda Realty, Pete Caponio 522-8585 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

ASTER AV, Grt nghbrhd, bay view, lndscpd yd, 2/1 +bonus rm — $169,000
well Banker, Ruth Lockhart 339-1174

LA CRESTA, Glenview, 2+bd/1ba, sunny craftsman, bsmnt — $169,900
r Homes Realty 339-4000

MILLSBRAE, Stunning 2/1 Spanish bungalow in Mills Garden — $169,900
any structural upgrades! Bickley RE, Ronda Bickley 769-1606 SUNDAY 2-4

MONTICELLO, Maxwell Park, 3bd/1ba complete rehab, views — $169,000
on-McDuffie 339-9290, David Otero 869-4239

MICHIGAN, 3bd/1½ba, View/view!! nice, unusual — $165,000
on-McDuffie 834-2010, Dianne Campbell 286-7502 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

SENECA (cross street Thermal) Great 3bd/2ba, very private — $165,000
on cul-de-sac in the Oakland Hills. Bickley RE, John Bickley 769-1606

OAKLAND AV, Adams Point, walk dwntwn & Lake Merritt, 2/1+ — $160,000
on-McDuffie 339-9290, Karen Blandy 869-4223

OUTLOOK AV, Mills College, 2bd/1b, charming, huge level lot — $159,500
r Homes, Ken Ferrell 814-9036

MORCOM, Maxwell Park, 2bd/1ba, sparkling new listing! — $154,000
on-McDuffie 339-9290, Vikki Landes 869-4225

SUNNYMERE AVE, 2/1, Charming country setting, lg garage — $153,000
on-McDuffie 339-9290, Erik Johnson 869-4246

WARWICK, Adams Point, cute 2bd, FDR, frpl, basement — $153,000
on-McDuffie, Gaynelle Estel 834-2010

ROBERTS, Millsview, 2bd, 1920's w/new kitchen, bright! — $145,900
on-McDuffie 834-2010, Carol Russell 653-5088

OPAL ST, Temescal, 3bd/2ba, 2-story trad'l used as duplex — $139,900
on-McDuffie, Lisa Friedman 834-2010

MOUNTAIN #210, Oakland, 2bd/2ba — $138,000
well Banker, Dave Moss 486-1495

VERNON ST #210, Rose Garden, 2bd/2ba, pretty, private condo — $133,500
on-McDuffie 869-4226, Mariedda Grynbal 869-4226

66TH AVE, Gorgeous 2 bedroom w/private backyard — $129,500
on-McDuffie 834-2010, Kamal Bello 286-7661

OCTAVIA ST, Reduced! adorable bungalow, hdwds, remod kit — $129,000
r Homes, Victor Fierro 832-4339

MONTE VISTA #1, Rose Garden 1/1 condo, desirable bldg, pkg — $124,500
fic Union, Joan Hause 339-6460

13th AVE, 2/2 completely remod Victorian, yd w/fruit trees — $119,000
GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400

TRASK ST, Maxwell Park, 2bd/1ba, price reduced/bargain — $119,000
r Homes Realty 339-4000

OAKLAND AVE, 2/2 condo, 1157sf, 2 balconies, LR w/frpl — $109,000
rley Hills Realty, Joan Brunswick 525-1873 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

CHERRY STREET, 2bd/1ba. Foreclosure. New carpet & paint — $ 68,500
no Real Estate 523-9300 OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY 2-4

ALAMEDA Open Sunday

1113 OTIS, 3bd/2ba, exquisite home on the lagoon! — $428,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, D. A. Hammond 869-4219 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

1257 OTIS, Spacious 3bd/3ba home on the lagoon — $349,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Vince Moran 869-4236 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

3259 STERLING, Fernside, Craftsman, 2bd/1ba, charming — $189,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Lois Harris 287-2521 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

ALBANY Open Sunday

809 WASHINGTON AVE, 3+bd/2ba, shingled tri-level custom home with pano view! Realty Advocates 428-0757 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 — $339,000

733 SAN CARLOS, 2bd/1ba — $239,000
Coldwell Banker, Gilda Waldman 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

940 KEY ROUTE, New price! New look! best 2bd/1ba buy! — $199,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X116 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1020 MASONIC, Albany 2bd/1ba — $188,000
Coldwell Banker, Henry Chang 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

725 PIERCE, Albany, 2bd/1ba — $179,000
Coldwell Banker, Diane Verducci 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

228 TUNNEL RD, Claremont, 1929 4/4½ Spanish villa w/mstr retreat — $899,000
The GRUBB Company, Nancy Rothman 339-0400

648 WILDCAT CNYN, 1st ever on market! 3/3 rustic ranch, library — $649,000
The GRUBB Company, James Garcia 339-0400

3076 BUENA VISTA WY, 4bd/1++b, airy//graceful/timeless w/charm — $615,000
Tarpoff & Talbert, Anet Tarpoff 653-2050 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

101 MONTROSE, Berkeley, 5bd/3ba — $569,000
Coldwell Banker, Kim Marienthal 486-1495

2432 OREGON, Charming Elmwood brown shingle, 4+bd/3b, decks — $569,000
Berkeley Hills Realty, Chris Ehlers-Hardie 548-4339 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

500 GRAVATT DR, New listing! 4+/3 bay view contemporary. Aupair, study, loft, artist made fixtures. Nancy Pollock Real Estate 848-4330 — $569,000

2906 FOREST, 4++bd/4½ba — $529,000
Coldwell Banker, Cheryl Cahn 486-1495

671 CRAGMONT, 3+bd/2½ba, enchanting Normandy with Bay View! — $519,000
Thornwall Properties, Selma Klett 848-1950 X223 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

945 ARLINGTON, Gracious 5+bd/3ba trad'l in North Berkeley — $485,000
Templeton Company, Linda Wolan 652-2133 X123

1634 LA LOMA, Berkeley duplex — $389,000
Coldwell Banker, Diana Kay 486-1495

1701 MADERA, Nw listing! remod kit, deck, nds cntertops/flrs, as is.. — $339,000
Berkeley Hills, Tracy Sichterman 524-2405 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

912 ARLINGTON, New listing! 4bd/2ba, classic colonial gem — $339,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X109 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

522 WOODMONT, Berkeley Hills, 3bd/2ba, hdwds, enchanting yd — $285,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1707 BANCROFT, Berkeley 2+bd/1ba — $279,000
Coldwell Banker, Barbara Marienthal 486-1495

2805 FULTON ST, Trad'l 4bd +cute det'd studio cottage, grt starter — $270,000
Templeton Company, Marlene Leverette 652-2133 X121 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1400 SANTA FE AVE, Westbrae, 2bd stylish cottage, updtd kit, yd — $239,000
The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400

2440 McGEE, 3bd/1ba — $229,500
Coldwell Banker, Chris Cohn 486-1495

1737 FRANCISCO, Opportunity! 2-story fixer, grt nghbrhd, 4bd/2ba — $228,000
Marvin Gardens, Richard Morrison 287-8764

1202 CURTIS, 3bd/1ba house + studio apartment in Westbrae — $225,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X119 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

2327 CURTIS, New listing! Charming 2bd/1ba +income, det'd office — $219,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X124 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1195 EUCLID, Large fixer in the redwoods. 4+bd/1+ba — $209,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X185 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1712 CALIFORNIA, Cut your commute! 2bd cutie nr No.Berk BART — $205,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X122 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1251 GILMAN, 2 bedroom bungalow w/hardwoods, nice yard — $189,000
Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Richard Matus 287-2501

2465 HILGARD #2, Quiet condo with garden, hardwood floors, washer/dryer. 1 bedroom. Millstein Broker, Celia Concus 527-0211 SUN 2-4 — $172,000

1732 HEARST #3, Cute 2/1 condo in serene setting, nr shops/trans — $169,000
The GRUBB Company, Mavis Delacrois 339-0400

1271 65th STREET, Updated 3bd/1ba craftsman — $139,500
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Felicia Owens 869-4217

2611 BENVENUE #4, 2bd/1ba — $139,000
Coldwell Banker, The Longs 486-1495

CASTRO VALLEY Open Sunday

22501 CENTER ST, 2bd/2ba condos, creekside, 1½miles to BART — $118,000 to $136,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 2-5

EL CERRITO Open Sunday

2526 ALVA, Majestic 3/2½ Colonial in the hills! Hdwd, frpl, bay vw! — $479,000
Security Pacific, Ernie Spenser 223-4960 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5

8590 TERRACE DR, 3bd w/den, 2½ba, huge fnishd bsmnt, lg pvt lot — $389,000
Security Pacific, Geri Stern 234-7808 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

726 AVILA PLACE, El Cerrito 2bd, decks with view, updated — $239,000
Mason-McDuffie, Darrin Tinsley 834-2010 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

1300 LIBERTY ST, 2bd/1½ba Berkeley craftsman. A rare find! — $219,000
Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Stein 848-1950 X230 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

5814 LASSEN, Condo alternative! cozy Tudor, move in, why rent? — $148,750
Berkeley Hills Realty, Bill McDowell 559-8508 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

EMERYVILLE Open Sunday

1274 OCEAN, Sunlit 2bd/1ba home with in-law/workshop — $198,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X105 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

KENSINGTON Open Sunday

280 LEXINGTON, Price reduced! secluded 4bd home w/views! — $398,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X124 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1519 VALLEY, Beautifully maintained 4bd/2ba, family rm, office — $348,500
Berkeley Hills Realty, Kathleen duBois 525-3345 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

ORINDA Open Sunday

21 DIAS DORADOS, 5/3½, beautifully renovted, level front, location — $699,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, George Millirons 869-4233 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

44 FARRAGUT AV, 7+b/5+b, restored, grand frml rooms, ½ac, vw — $1,950,000
Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460

129 BONITA AVE, Grand & gracious w/elegant entry stairway, FDR — $979,500
The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400

668 BLAIR AVE, Stunning SF Bay vw! fam rm w/frpl, 3/3, pvt decks — $879,000
The GRUBB Company, Sheila Gallagher 339-0400

37 SHARON AVE, Lovely 4bd/3ba colonial, rumpus, quiet st, garden — $849,000
The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400

209 HILLSIDE AVE, Sunny trad'l w/updtd kitchen, 3+/3½, gardens — $849,000
The GRUBB Company, Susanne Paul 339-0400

36 CREST RD, 3+bd/3+ba, elegant level-in, den, airy, very serene — $805,000
Pacific Union, Debi Fitzgerrell 339-6460

210 SCENIC AVE, 3bd/4ba, sweeping bay view, au-pair — $789,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Suzanne Yamamoto 644-5477

14 ABBOTT WAY, 4bd/4ba, loft, 2 family rms, SF/GG vws, 4-car gar — $679,000
Pacific Union, Martha Holstlaw 339-6460

6300 CASTLE, 3bd/2½ba meticulously kept ranch, frpl, level lot — $485,000
Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

80 PORTSMOUTH RD, 4+bd/2ba, lg EIK, level out to deck & garden — $398,000
The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400

610 BOULEVARD WAY, 2 lg bds, FDR, +rm, nr schls/transp/shops — $395,500
The GRUBB Company, Mindy Scott 339-0400

132 PALM DR, Charming, level 3bd/1ba, FDR, kit opens to pvt patio — $339,000
The GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400

RICHMOND Open Sunday

1300 QUARRY CT #113, Pt. Richmond, 2/2 unit, pool, tennis, view!! — $204,000
Marvin Gardens, Sue Nelson 273-9510 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1676 SANTA CLARA, Grt 3/1 w/some Spanish flair, hot tub, bay vw — $197,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X113 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

5647 COLUMBIA, Richmond, 2bd/1ba — $169,900
Coldwell Banker, Pamela Denison 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

SAN LEANDRO Open Sunday

837 RODNEY, 3 bedrooms — $259,900
For Sale By Owner 351-8992/483-8328 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

15940 SELBORNE DRIVE, 3 bedrooms — $219,950
Prudential California Realty, Mick & Leslie 463-6133 OPEN SUNDAY 12-4

1943 TROMBAS, 3bd — $194,976
ReMax, Antonio 276-0621 OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY 1-5

3827 CARMEL WAY, 3bd — $175,000
Century 21 Korpi & Associates, Scott 276-2020 OPEN SUNDY 1-4

17341 VIA CHIQUITA, 3bd — $167,000
Village Realtors, Tom 481-2489 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

342 HOLLISTER CT, 2/1, 1st open! charming 2/1 craftsman, 2 +rms — $165,000
Better Homes Realty 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

3799 ANZA WAY, 3 bedrooms — $160,000
Century 21 Korpi & Associates, Scott 276-2020 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

To place a listing in the Open Home Guide, please call 339-4046.

DEADLINE: Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.

Events

The Events Calendar does not accept for-profit listings. Announcements for these events can be made in our classified section by calling 339-8777. Listings are made on a space available basis.

Red Oak Gallery hosts an exhibition by local artist Karen Gault through September 26. The show reflects Karen's 28 years of exploring and developing a style influenced by improvisational dance, Chinese brush painting, photo realism and impressionism. Meet the artist at a public reception from 7 to 9 p.m., Fri., July 18. To view or purchase her paintings stop by the gallery in Red Oak Realty's offices at 1891 Solano Ave. in Berkeley. To enjoy a sample of her work without leaving home. log onto Red Oak Realty's Web site: www.redoakrealty.com. Call 527-3387 for more information.

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The Small Business Association (SBA) is hosting a series of workshops called Meet Successful Small Business Owners. Successful small business owners, bankers and corporate executives have joined with the SBA to strengthen small business in Oakland. This workshop will show you **How to Double Your Business in 90 Days.** The workshop will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., Tues. July 8 at the One Stop Capital Shop, 519 17th St. in Oakland. Call 273-6020 for information on this or any of the upcoming workshops.

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The nonprofit Building Education Center (BEC), 812 Page St., Berkeley is the place to start your dream home or to start turning your home into a dream. On Tues. and Wed. July 8 and 9 contractor/whippersnapper Kevin Stamm and oldtimer craftsman Richard Brown will teach **Finish Carpentry: Hands-On.** Join contractor Jennifer Almstad on Thursday July 11 for **Ceramic Tile: Hands-On** On Sat. July 12 the center offers **Drywall Finishes: Hands-On** with Andus Brandt and **Earthquake Retrofitting** with engineer Tony DeMascole and contractor Jim Gillett. Call BEC at 525-7610 for more information.

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East Bay Habitat for Humanity hosts its annual **Build-A-Thon** fund-raiser Fri. July 11 through Sun. July 13. Help over 1,000 volunteers raise over $100,000 to frame six new Habitat homes in East Oakland. Be a part of this unique and exciting blitz building effort. All proceeds will help build affordable housing for low-income families in need. Call Chris at 251-6304 for more information.

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The Alameda County Waste Management Authority is offering a free **Basic Compost Workshop,** 2 to 4 p.m., Sun., July 13 at the Oakland Compost Demonstration Garden in Lakeside Park adjacent to the Garden Center Building on Bellevue Ave. This hands-on class will teach you how to compost your yard and kitchen waste. Learn to transform trash into free, nutritious fertilizer. For more information call 444-SOIL.

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The Golden Gate Chapter of the **American Society of Home Inspectors** (ASHI) hosts its monthly meeting 7 p.m., Thurs., July 17 at Hs Lordship's Restaurant at the Berkeley Marina. House inspectors who belong to ASHI of those interested in joining and meeting other professionals are invited to attend. Along with a regular chapter business meeting, there will be a presentation by Howard Cook, seismic retrofitting contractor and FEMA earthquake damage inspector. Howard will discuss seismic/stability preparations of structures with specific information pertaining to hillside homes. The $35 cost includes dinner. Call Dermot O'Kelly at 549-9335 for more information.

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The Golden State Lily Society presents its **12th Annual Lily Show,** noon to 5 p.m., Sat. and Sun., July 19 and 20 at the Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue in Oakland. This free show will feature an exhibition of stems and potted lilies with new Asiatic and Oriental hybrids. Cut stems and potted lilies will be available for sale. Educational exhibits and guest arrangers from several schools of Ikebana will be there along with society members to answer your questions. Call 232-8041 for more information.

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Cal Fed presents a series of free **Brown Bag Lunch Time Home Buyer Seminars.** The seminars are held the third Fri. of each month. The dynamic Nate Brooks of RE/MAX in Motion will present **The 16 Secrets Every Home buyer Should Know Before You Talk to Your Real Estate Agent** at 12:10 p.m., Fri., July 18 at Cal Fed, 1325 Broadway in Oakland. These seminars will teach you the exact steps you'll need to protect yourself when buying a home. Call Gary Robinson at 530-4789 or Ivory Hart at 834-3392 for more information.

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Karen Ward of CMG Mortgage presents free **Real Estate Financing 101,** 10 a.m. to noon, Sat., July 19 at 1225 Solano Avenue in Albany. Become an educated consumer; minimize closing costs; learn the difference between an mi and a no mi loan; get acquainted with lender guidelines, income required to qualify and community assistance programs. Reservations are required. Call 718-2134.

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The Berkeley Design Center, 3195 Adeline St., Berkeley invites you to its **Annual Open House,** 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat, July 19. Manufacturers' representatives will be there to introduce you to new products. Innovative building ideas for windows, flooring, tile, hardware, lighting, appliances and bath enclosures will be on display. Call Marilyn at 652-6064 for more information.

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The Alameda County Waste Management authority presents a free **Worm Composting Workshop,** 10 a.m. to noon Sat. July 26. This hands-on class teaches participants how to compost their kitchen waste using red wigglers. See how to transform your trash into free, nutritious fertilizer. Whether you want to learn a simple way to reduce garbage or want to become a compost expert, this workshop is for you. Call 444-SOIL.

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Product displays, a tool sale, a raffle prizes and hot dogs will highlight Truitt and White Lumber's **August Product and Fair and Tool Sale,** 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Wed., Aug 20 Call 845-0511 for more information.

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A free **First-Time Home Buyer Seminar**, sponsored by Red Oak Realty and Mortgage Network, 1891 Solano Ave., Berkeley is held the first Wed. of each month at 7 p.m. Find out about first-time home buyer programs, get tips from a licensed Red Oak agent on how to make an offer, negotiate the best deal, handle home inspections; learn about contingencies that may protect a buyer from adverse conditions, and see if it may be more economical to buy rather than to rent. Get prequalified and receive a listing of ho[...] sale in your price range. R[...] tions are required. Call Ru[...] at 526-6554 to register or [...] information

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Oakland

$6,000 826 PINE. DRASTIC PRICE REDUCTION! A lot that needs to be cleared of 2 units, has sewer, water, electric, gas & phone lines! Kathy Hirsch 814-4706

$27,500-$69,000 320-324 TENTH ST. Retail/Office condos! Price list & floorplans are available! Tere Lee 521-3352

$47,500 1975 81st AVE. Lot zoned for up to 4 units! Great for contractor! Richard Powell 814-4837

$90,000 2142 34th AVE. Large 4 BD, 1 1/2 BA bungalow [...] on a creekside setting! Need[...] PENDING [...] Formal dining, eat-in kitchen, fireplace & garage! Kathy Hirsch 814-4706

$109,000 2023 RUTHERFORD. Nice family neighborhood close to shopping & transportation. 3 BD, 2 BA, & off-street parking. Steve Sorensen 814-4888

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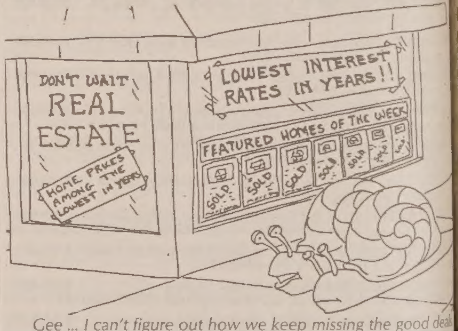

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